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GOLDEN HARVEST HYBRIDS — Page 21

OUR 25th YEAR  
1955

# HARDY LILIES

for Gardens  
Greenhouse or Patio


OREGON GROWN BULBS

freshly dug for  
Autumn Planting

*Romaine B. Ware - Lilies*

CANBY, OREGON





*"The garden mystically . . . a place of spiritual  
repose, stillness, refreshment, delight."*

—John Henry Newman.

## Dear Friend:

Thanks a million for all the fine letters we have had this past year about the quality of our bulbs. They renew our determination to send out only the best. Anything else is not good enough. And your letters telling us of the good results enjoyed even when weather conditions were most adverse are most gratifying. It takes GOOD lily bulbs to succeed in the mid-west and north as well as the warm south and your fine letters tell us most emphatically, that Oregon Grown lilies do satisfy. From the Dakotas to Texas, from Denver to the east coast, you have sent us simply wonderful reports and while we have the greatest confidence in the superior quality of our bulbs, we do appreciate your telling us of your successes.

This year, you will find prices in general are a bit lower. This we are happy to advise. And as this is written, the bulbs are starting their growth with every indication we will have ample stocks. Keeping up to the growing demand for quality lilies has not been easy but our Oregon growers are doing it and at the same time keeping the quality up also.

You will note also that this year we offer numerous new hybrid lilies. The Aurelians, Temple Hybrids, the Golden Harvest strain, wonderful new DeGraaff hybrids and all the other new things are a distinct addition to these aristocrats of the hardy garden. You will find them welcome in your borders. Definitely, they are a vast improvement over older strains. With them, your garden may easily become outstanding because fine lilies DO SOMETHING for one's garden. They raise it out of the ordinary, give it exotic beauty out of all proportion to the space they occupy or what they cost. Today's lilies are a healthy, vigorous, free blooming lot, vastly improved over the older varieties.

And please, don't overlook our other two specialties, Hardy Cyclamen and Hardy Clematis. Both of these items have a very definite place in almost every garden. Both of them have had a most gratifying reception from every part of the country. Both of them are "different" and unusual. They truly "do something" for one's garden, lift it out of the ordinary and give it a quality far greater than their cost. We have had so many satisfying letters from gardeners who have planted them on our say so and now would not want to be without them. With them you can produce garden pictures that will bring a chorus of Oh's and Ah's from every one who sees them. And that is one of the most satisfying rewards of all our gardening. Your garden need not be ordinary. It can stand out in your neighborhood as "beautiful" and at no great cost.

And again, let me wish you "better gardening",

Sincerely,

Romaine B. Ware

*"Flowers are the beautiful hieroglyphics  
of Nature, by which she indicates how much  
she loves us."—Goethe*



# Temple Hybrids

New for 1955

The advent of the National Lily Show at Seattle, Washington, last July brought to light a new group of lily hybrids, a vastly improved strain of Centifolium Hybrids, now introduced for the first time as Temple Hybrids. Mr. John M. Shaver of Newberg, Oregon, has been working on this strain for many years and at last has consented to have us introduce them. Temple Hybrids are as greatly improved over the older Centifolium Hybrids as the latter were over the older Regal Lily. And, better still, there are some color breaks in them that really make the lily lover stand up and take notice.

These new hybrids are produced from seed by crossing and re-crossing the best of the trumpet lily strains. Mr. Shaver has been working on this lot for many years and as you read the descriptions on this page, I'm sure you will want to try them in your garden. Fortunately, some of them are quite reasonable. The 1st prize winner "Sun Temple" and the rare and scarce "Amethyst Temple" cost a bit more but they are well worth the price. I'm sure you will find all of them very well worth while.

**MARBLE TEMPLE Hybrids-912**-This is the general assortment of the Temple group. It closely parallels the best selected forms of the older Centifoliums but the average of these Temple hybrids is surprisingly high, really a vast improvement over average Centifoliums. They get the name Marble Temple from the exterior markings, especially on the larger buds prior to opening. These colors resemble those seen in the finest marbles. Their predominate base color is varying tones of white, ivory, or pearly-white. Flowers are large trumpet or funnel shaped and those types with expanded or slightly twisted petals. The distinctive external coloration varies with each plant. It may be bronze, light yellow, green, brownish-purple or veined with many marble-like colors and tones. The interiors have yellow, green or pure white throats. Anthers vary from chrome yellow to dark reddish brown. Ht. 5 to 7 ft. Mid-July. PD 5 in. All the Temple hybrids are very vigorous, free flowering and produce extremely vigorous stems.

**MARBLE TEMPLE Hybrids-912-**

Flowering . . . 3 for \$1.85, each \$ .75, Doz. \$ 7.35, 25 for \$14.50  
Large . . . . 3 for 2.35, each .90, Doz. 9.25, 25 for 18.25  
Jumbo . . . . 3 for 2.90, each 1.10, Doz. 11.50, 25 for 22.50



TEMPLE HYBRIDS

**JADE TEMPLE Hybrids-911**-Here are pale misty greens and greenish-whites. Throats are greenish-yellow and greenish-white. Exteriors are mostly brown or green. Anthers are varying shades of yellow and brown. Ht. 3 to 6 ft. July-August.

Flowering . . . . . 3 for \$2.75, each \$1.00, Doz. \$10.90  
Large . . . . . 3 for 4.75, each 1.75, Doz. 18.85

**AMETHYST TEMPLE Hybrids-910**-With the exception of color, similar to the other Temple groups. No. 910 varies from light amethyst-pink to deeper shades nearing columbine-red. The pink stain is on the interior as well as the reverse part of the petals. These lilies are especially delightful in floral arrangements as well as making the spotlight in the hardy garden. In warm sections plant in partial shade to avoid bleaching. Keep the soil reasonably moist at all times and mulch to keep it cool. These precautions will insure your blooms lasting much longer and retaining their exquisite coloring until the flowering period is complete. July. Ht. 5 to 7 ft.  
3 for \$10.95, each \$3.95, Doz. \$43.50

**SUN TEMPLE-913**-This is the famous strain which won two blue ribbons and the Directors Cup at the Seattle show in 1954, under auspices of the North American Lily Society. Its clear brilliant color varying from clean light yellow to warm golden yellow make Sun Temple outstanding. Occasionally the yellow exteriors are streaked with green, olive or wine shades. Vigorous, tall stems and ample foliage distinguish these as they do all the Temple hybrids. You will find them a "must" in better gardens everywhere. Ht. 4 to 7 ft.  
3 for \$10.95, each \$3.95, Doz. \$43.50

## They say . . .

Lincoln, Nebraska

"I wish to take this opportunity to tell you how delighted I am with the bulbs you shipped me last fall. Have always been so pleased with your bulbs I have received the last few years and their performance has been breath taking. But the bulbs I received last fall surpass all I have ever ordered and am so very pleased, looking forward to another wonderful lily season. Thank you for the wonderful bulbs."

Mrs. E. C. W.

Philadelphia, Penna.

"Received my bulbs Special Delivery in excellent condition and wonderfully packed. You can't beat that Special Delivery deal. All your customers should use it. It's sure worth the little extra. Expect to have same fine bloom from these bulbs as we have had from those bought previously."

Mrs. E. J. S.

Boulder, Colo.

"I feel sure there are great possibilities for lilies in this section but very few people seem to grow them. Some of my Cascade Candidums have up to five stalks per bulb with as many as fifteen blossoms to a stalk. And my lilies require the least care of any plant in my garden."

Mrs. W. R.



## Savings Tag Special

Knowing many of you will want at least some of all these wonderful Temple Hybrids in your garden, I'm making this special offer. We will mail postpaid early in October, one each of Sun Temple, Amethyst Temple and Jade Temple, the six three bulbs of Marble Temple, separately bulbs, each variety packed separately for only \$9.50. At the single bulb price these total \$11.15. All will be full flowering size, fresh dug and rushed to you at the peak of their perfection. Six lovely Temple Hybrids for only

**\$9.50**

**Postpaid**

**3 each of 4 kinds \$26.00**

**SPECIAL No. 4-J**



# Auratum Lilies

**AURATUM Extra Hardy-132**—This is an Auratum especially suited to northern areas where frosts tarry late in the spring and come early in the fall. It is a selection from the type that comes up late, blooms quickly and matures early. Surely they are a welcome addition to the group and should prove invaluable in the short season sections. Blooms, depth of planting, culture and all other factors are the same as the type (130).

Flowering . . . . . 3 for \$5.30, each \$1.95, Doz. \$20.85

**AURATUM-130**—This is the regular or "type" Auratum beloved by all flower lovers. The blooms are very large to huge, open bowl-shaped, waxy-white, spotted crimson and each segment striped with a gold band. All in all, it's an exquisite lily, easily the crowning glory of any garden. Pictures but poorly portray its perfection. Height 4 to 7 feet. PD, planting depth, 5 in. Every bulb Oregon Grown, fresh dug. August flowering.

Flowering . . . . . 3 for \$3.95, each \$1.45, Doz. \$15.75

Large . . . . . 3 for \$5.00, each \$1.85, Doz. \$19.90

Extra Large . . . . . 3 for \$6.25, each \$2.25, Doz. \$24.90



AURATUM PICTUM

**AURATUM Pictum-136**—This is a selected form of this superb lily, brilliant and richly colored, a veritable jewel. The picture in color fails sadly to do it justice and mere words can not describe its perfection. The huge bowl-shaped blooms, white, heavily spotted crimson, with tips of petals flushed pink to crimson, make it one of the most glamorous and outstanding highlights of the hardy garden. Only when you see it in your own garden can you appreciate its inimitable beauty. Culture same as for Type.

3 for \$16.25, each \$5.75, Doz. \$64.00

**AURATUM Late Form-131**—Except for season of bloom, this is the same as No. 130, Auratum Type. However it opens flowers as the others are through. In sections where mild weather lasts till late in the fall, it keeps flowering well into late September and sometimes into October. You'll welcome them for late bloom. Culture same as for Type.

3 for \$5.30, each \$1.90, Doz. \$20.95

**AURATUM Praecox-137**—These were developed from chance seedlings found in the wilds. They start flowering about ten days ahead of the Type and lengthen the season of these gorgeous flowers. DON'T OVERLOOK THE SPECIAL OFFER No. 14-H ON PAGE 4.

3 for \$5.30, each \$1.95, Doz. \$20.95

**AURATUM Platyphyllum-139**—Unquestionably the finest of all Auratums, a massive form, hardier, healthy and long lived. Mr. Kline has specialized on this for many years and the stock is exceptionally fine. Blooms are huge, often a foot and more in diameter. Its leaves are more numerous and broader. Upper petals, frequently somewhat pendant, give the blooms a delightful hooded look. Platyphyllum is not quite as spotted as the type. All in all it is outstanding. If you buy but one Auratum, this should be earnestly considered. Like the rest, it prefers partial shade, ample humus and good drainage. August-September. Ht. 4 to 7 ft. PD 5 inches.

Flowering . . . . . 3 for \$4.05, each \$1.50, Doz. \$16.40

Large . . . . . 3 for \$5.30, each \$1.95, Doz. \$20.95

Extra Large . . . . . 3 for \$6.95, each \$2.50, Doz. \$27.65

**AURATUM Tri-Color-133**—Imagine if you can an Auratum without the crimson spots. Tri-Color is just this, it is similar to the famous Platyphyllum, has the gold band but instead of crimson, the spots are light yellow. It is strikingly beautiful but very scarce and rare. You will love its unusual effect.

Flowering . . . . . 3 for \$14.25, each \$4.95



AURATUM TYPE

## Auratum Special No. 14-J

### EIGHT WEEKS OF AURATUM BLOOM

Your garden may flaunt Auratum blooms from mid-July till September and even later. We've cut in October here in Oregon. By planting early, midseason and late forms the show is almost continuous.

We offer the three kinds, Praecox (137), Platyphyllum (139) and the late form (131), in lots of one or three each, every variety packed and labeled separate. Flowering size, Oregon grown, fresh dug.

**LATE OCTOBER or EARLY NOVEMBER SHIPMENT.**

**One each, labeled separate, \$4.25, 3 each \$12.95**



# Exciting New Lilies

## Aurelian Hybrids

"The Lilies of the Future"

Produced by Carlton Yerex

Without doubt these Aurelians are the most important group of new hybrids available today. Their blood lines are superb and their garden behavior has been excellent. In form they vary from true Henryi types to full trumpets and every form in between. Colors vary from white to deepest yellows and apricots as well as almost every shade of cream, ivory and yellow. They are large to very large and beautifully held on strong 4 to 7 foot stems with up to 20 blooms per stalk.

They are best in part shade with good drainage and even seem to thrive in heavy soils. Aurelians are so superior that over statements are almost impossible. Only by seeing them can their perfection be appreciated. Mid-summer blooming. PD 6 in.

**AURELIAN "Golden Trumpet"-156**—We introduced this strain of yellow trumpets last year. They are big flowers in rich yellow. Form much like the famous Centifoliums and fully as vigorous. The picture fails to do them justice. Every bulb is full flowering size but the supply is limited. They propagate very readily from stem bulb-lets. Golden Trumpet is one of the most important new lilies in many decades. 3 for \$10.95, each \$3.85

**AURELIAN Hybrids "Delight"-158**—These are a selected strain with semi-trumpet and bowl-shaped flowers, large to very large in size. They are white with apricot and yellow centers, the flowers have great substance and are freely produced on stiff vigorous stems five to seven feet tall. Flowering in August, they are especially welcome. Well may they be the highlight of the garden year. 3 for \$11.10, each \$3.95, Doz. \$45.00



A TYPICAL AURELIAN



## Believe It Or Not!

*This Auratum has  
flowered regularly for  
the last seven years.*

This doesn't seem unusual unless you examine the location. It's growing in poor uncultivated soil heavily infested with roots from a nearby poplar tree and has never been cultivated or weeded.

The garden is in the country at Sandwich, N.H., at the summer home of a Boston gentleman and he tells me it was either a chance seedling or a tiny bulblet that happened to get in the spot with a load of garden refuse. It is entirely away from his garden proper and has never been weeded nor cultivated. It just grows as if in the wild and seems to like it. Summers frequently get 100 degrees and winters down to 20 below but year after year this Auratum has had a dozen or more perfect blooms. Can you beat this?

## Here Are Some You've Been Waiting For!

**AURELIAN "Pink Trumpet"-154**—There is probably no other lily more desired than a good pink trumpet and now we are able to offer it. Mr. Yerex has produced it by crossing his pink Regal strain with the finest of his wonderful Aurelians. This year we are able to offer a limited number of "pinks" selected while in flower from his fields. Their Henryi and Regal blood gives them a quality and texture much to be desired. They prefer a semi-shady spot, protected from the heat of the mid-day sun. Give them good soil, a well drained spot and ample humus. In quality, they measure up to the high standards of Mr. Yerex's other fine Aurelians. I'm sure you will like them. 3 for \$10.95, each \$3.85

**AURELIAN "Green Gold Trumpet"-153**—This is another break we are most happy to offer. A selected strain having a lovely cool, distinctive greenish-yellow color. A few customers who have seen this strain in flower are most enthusiastic about them. We debated about offering them this year as the supply is still limited but so many have asked about them we are doing so. In growth they are the same as the other Aurelians, simply top quality and we know you will like them. Please order early. 3 for \$12.50, each \$4.35

**AURELIAN Special Selection "Mei Ling"-155**—This very unusual and beautiful variety received an Award of Merit at the Boston Show in 1947. It's a free flowering lily with as many as 25 yellowish-cream colored blooms shading to old gold in the throat, flat faced with recurving tips. As I checked the block of them last summer, their perfection was almost unbelievable. All Aurelians are of particular value to lily hybridists as they are fertile to pollen of many type. Always plant Mei Ling in partial shade to enjoy the exquisite perfection of its coloring. 3 for \$10.95, each \$3.85

**AURELIAN "Bright Cloud"-157**—This is one of the truly fine new hybrids. Established plants reach six feet and more, carrying as many as twenty large recurved blooms with margins and tips pure white and centers bright yellow. An exceptionally effective lily in the garden because of its extra long flowering period due to producing secondary blooms on lower pedicels, starting as the primary flowers are fading. Culture as per other Aurelians. PD 6 in. July. 3 for \$12.00, each \$4.25





CONCOLOR—BRILLIANT SCARLET

**CONCOLOR**—222—Here's a brilliant scarlet lily with scarlet anthers, a gay and attractive addition to the late June-early July garden. Its slender two foot stems carry numerous medium size airy upright blooms. In clumps of three to a dozen or more in the foreground of the hardy border or the rock garden, they are delightful indeed. Concolor likes full sunshine and is happy in ordinary soils, not too moist. Planting depth (PD) 3 in. **Plant in clumps of three or more when possible.** 3 for \$1.75, each 70c, Doz. \$6.95

**CONCOLOR Rasemosa**—221—An improved form produced in Canada by Mr. Skinner. The stems are taller, two to three feet, and very vigorous with 18 to 26 blooms each. Flowers larger than the type, a brilliant sealing wax red. 3 for \$2.50, each 95c

**CHEROKEE**—217—A new red lily never offered before, produced by Mr. E. F. Palmer, whose skill gave us the fine lily Red Bird we introduced in 1950. This lily is from the same parentage but flowers later, well into August. The blooms are freely produced on strong 4 to 5 foot stems, out-facing and slightly upward. The good sized brick red blooms, dotted maroon, will make a brilliant garden picture. Planting depth (PD) 5 inches. 3 for \$6.75, each \$2.50  
Large: 3 for \$11.45, each \$4.10

**CERNUM**—218—Here's a rosy-lilac lily as easy as the popular Tenuifolium and similar in flower. The tightly recurved blooms are spotted wine-purple, pleasingly fragrant and all together charming. A rare lily long almost unobtainable. Mid-July. Ht. 1 to 3 ft. Full sun, not particular as to soil. PD 3 inches. 3 for \$3.65, each \$1.35, Doz. \$14.50

**CYRUS GATES**—235—One of the most brilliant of the Bellingham Hybrids but always VERY scarce. We have not been able to list it since 1949. Seldom do we have enough to fill all orders. It is a vigorous grower but slow to propagate. The blooms, twelve to twenty per stem are true Martagon type, cadmium-orange, spotted purple-black, a stunning lily. Ht. 5 to 7 ft. July. PD 6 inches. 3 for \$6.25, each \$2.25

**DAVIDI Unicolor**—876—Syn. L. Sutchuenense and formerly listed as Willmottiae Unicolor. A dwarf lily with a stiff stem two to three feet tall, producing up to fifteen pale orange to yellow blooms with few if any spots. It's a good performer in the garden and well worth while. 3 for \$2.35, each 90c, Doz. \$9.25

#### JUST A SUGGESTION

Foresightedness in having a supply of Micronized Copper ON HAND BEFORE it is needed may save disappointment. See page 31.



BROWNII—WHITE

**BROWNII**—183—Considered one of the most beautiful of all the trumpet lilies but very scarce. A huge bloom, sulphur-yellow, aging white, exterior glossy purple. An easy garden lily in either light or heavy soil but insists on perfect drainage. Deep chocolate-brown anthers are striking against the sulphur of the freshly opened blooms. Equally good in full sun or part shade. June-July. Ht. 3 to 4 ft. PD 6 in. 3 for \$16.50, each \$5.75

**CORAL Hybrids**—366—A strain of hybrids produced by crossing the species Maximowiczii and the fine upright species Dauricum Wilsoni. There is considerable variation in color but in main they are a coral with some apricot shades. They are medium to large, semi-recurved to semi-upright in form with flowering period ranging from late June into August. We believe you will like them. Ht. 3 to 5 ft. PD 4 in. 3 for \$3.00, each \$1.15, Doz. \$11.75



**CHALCEDONICUM**—215—We are happy to again be able to offer this brilliant and famous lily, The Red Martagon of Constantinople, one of the oldest lilies in cultivation, having been introduced during the reign of Queen Elizabeth I. This is a beautiful lily from Greece, a gorgeous, waxy, Turk's Cap Lily, unspotted and nodding, whose intense scarlet blooms rival all others of the color. Seems to prefer a heavy but well drained loam, well filled with humus, full sun or partial shade. Generally requires a season to become established. July blooming. Ht. 3 to 4 ft. PD 3 inches.

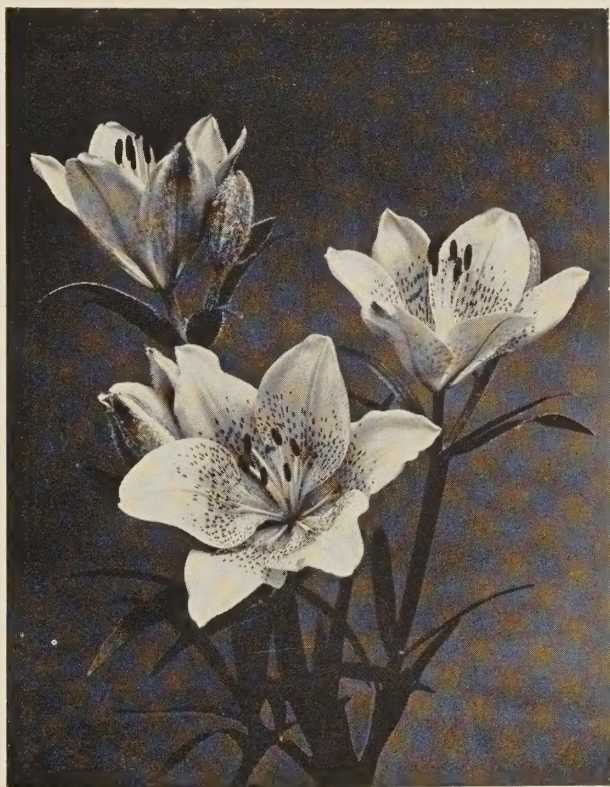
3 for \$10.35, each \$3.75, Doz. \$41.00

**CANADENSE Flavum**—191—One of the best loved of our native lilies, graceful and long lived. Its nodding, bell-shaped blooms are a lovely clear yellow spotted chocolate. Give it a sunny spot with ample moisture and a soil well filled with humus. An ideal lily for naturalizing in moist woodland. June. 4 to 5 ft. PD 4 in.

3 for \$1.85, each 75c, Doz. \$7.35

**CHEHALEM Hybrids**—216—This is a new strain we introduced in 1950. They are large shapely trumpets of excellent texture and fine quality. Waxy-white to cream in color with throats yellow, apricot or pale green. Not spotted. The sturdy five foot stems flower freely in July. We look forward to them becoming very popular as they are better known. They are top quality. PD 5 in.

3 for \$3.65, each \$1.35, Doz. \$14.50



DAURICUM WILSONII—APRICOT

**DAURICUM Wilsoni, Tall late form**—271—This is an especially valuable lily due to its late flowering when none other of the type are in bloom. It's a beautiful apricot flower and a mass of them start flowering in late July and keep it up until well into September. No other upright lilies flower this late in the season and these are most desirable for the middle or rear of the border. Heights vary from 3 to 5 feet. Part shade is to their liking. In full sun they do not grow as tall. These late lilies make a beautiful show in the garden with their many upright, chalice-like blooms.

3 for \$1.95, each 75c, Doz. \$7.65

**DAURICUM Wadai**—274—A superior form of this fine lily that we have not been able to offer for several years. It is early, May-June with very large flowers in a fine clear apricot. Ht. 15 to 18 inches. This easily grown species has been in cultivation over 200 years, which speaks well for its health and vigor. It blooms freely and is an excellent flower for the front of the border. PD 4 in.

Flowering . . . . . 3 for \$2.50, each 95c, Doz. \$9.85



CENTIFOLIUM HYBRIDS AND MID-CENTURIES

"The lily's height bespoke command,  
A fair, imperial flower;  
She seem'd design'd for Flora's hand  
The scepter of her power." —Cowper

**CROWS HYBRID**—230—Selected seedlings from a magnificent strain produced by crossing Regale and Sulphureum. They are huge white trumpets with greenish throats and brown to green exteriors. Continued breeding has produced yellow and ivory forms as well as light pinks (none of the latter are yet available). Established plants carry up to 30 huge blooms on 5 to 6 foot stems, opening a week to ten days after the Regales are over. PD 6 in.

3 for \$4.15, each \$1.55, Doz. \$16.25

CROWS HYBRID—WHITE







OLYMPIC HYBRIDS

## Olympic Special Selects

Among discriminating gardeners, these "selects" find ready welcome. They are chosen while in flower, the cream of acres and acres of fine lilies. In form they vary—some are large formal waxy-white trumpet with unusual substance and vigor and exhibiting ideal placement—some are large flaring open bowl shaped with brownish or light greenish exteriors—others are very large irregular forms with longer petals slightly twisted or ruffled—all are graceful and altogether desirable. The field selection of these unusual bulbs demands careful painstaking work and skilled judgment. These "Selects" are offered as a special group and though they cost more due to the added expense of checking and digging separately, they are more than worth it. In the border you will find them outstanding, spectacularly so. Culture same as for No. 212.

**OLYMPIC Hybrid, "Special Selects"—213**—Every plant in this lot is of exhibition quality, outstanding in every respect, the choicest and finest "selects" from acres of trumpet lilies. These are for gardeners who want only the best and though they cost somewhat more, they are worth it. Culture same as for No. 212.

Flowering . . . . . 3 for \$4.75, each \$1.75, Doz. \$18.85

# Olympic Hybrids

Formerly Listed as Centifoliums

Produced by Jan De Graaff

If Mr. De Graaff's lily hybridizing had given us none but this grand variety, his fame would be secure. You'll want these Olympic Hybrids in your collection no matter how many others you have. They are among the earlier hybrids he produced but year by year through rigid, painstaking selection, their present perfection has been achieved. The huge wide-flaring trumpets are generally white inside with exteriors greenish-brown or soft wine-red, sometimes white or greenish-white. The sturdy stems reach four to six feet, carrying their many huge blooms beautifully. They thrive in full sun but in partial shade the flowers last longer. July flowering after the Regales and continuing three weeks to a month.

This unusually vigorous, healthy and free-flowering lily should be planted in groups of three to a dozen or more, a foot to eighteen inches apart, six inches deep. A group of 25 makes a never-to-be-forgotten picture. See special prices in lots of 25.

Olympics are perfectly hardy to cold but, like the famous Regals, should be lightly mulched to somewhat hold back spring growth and danger of being nipped by late frosts. **Always plant in clumps of three, six or more when possible.**

### OLYMPIC Hybrids-212-

	3	1	12	25	100
Flowering . . . . .	\$1.00	\$ .45	\$ 3.95	\$ 7.85	\$ 31.00
Medium . . . . .	1.75	.65	6.85	13.35	52.00
Large . . . . .	2.35	.90	9.25	18.25	72.00
Extra Large . . .	3.30	1.25	13.10	25.50	100.00

**OLYMPIC Hybrids, Pure White Selects-214**—The rarest of the "Selects" as only a very few are found. Seldom can we accept orders for them after mid-summer. They are pure white inside and out except that some have a pale greenish rib or stripe on the outside.

3 for \$12.00, each \$4.25

*Here's a Lily Book You'll Want!*

## SUCCESS WITH LILIES

A "How-To-Do-It" Book

*By Romaine B. Ware*

This little book is an attempt to answer the thousands of questions, asked about the growing of these aristocrats of the hardy garden. It tells the how, when and where of growing lilies and also the "why". The hundreds of letters I've had from customers all over the country seem to indicate that it has been worth while. It covers selection of the location for lilies, the soil and its preparation, choosing varieties, watering, winter care, a few pages on diseases and a wealth of other information.

Lilies, most of them, are not difficult but they do demand a bit more knowledge than growing zinnias or marigolds. And I'm sure that you will agree with me that they are worth a little more effort than ordinary flowers. You can grow a goodly variety of fine lilies in the average garden and if you do so your cup of joy will overflow. Lilies are a "point-with-pride" type of flower and success with them will give you a thrill of achievement. Your garden can easily become famous if you will just take the time to learn the how of growing lilies.

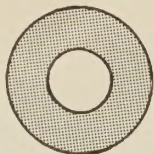
**MAIL YOUR \$1.00 FOR A COPY TODAY**

**THEY SAY . . . .**

*Philadelphia, Pa.*  
*"I wish to take this opportunity to say that your little book is very informative particularly for the amateur, as I obtained more information from it than from books on the subject which cost \$5.00. Your lily chart is invaluable."*

M. O. S.





## Savings Tag Special Annual "ACE" Collection

One to three bulbs of seven fine lilies. Red Champion Speciosum (page 19), Ace Longiflorum, DeGraaff's Sunburst, Golden Chalice, Rainbow Hybrids, Bellingham Hybrids and the famous Olympic Hybrids. Fourteen bulbs in all, each variety packed separately.

Whether you are a beginner or just want some more lilies, you'll enjoy this collection. IF REQUESTED, we'll send you, FREE, a copy of our \$1.00 book "Success with Lilies". The book will be sent as soon as you order that you may have full information on how, where and when to plant. The bulbs will be shipped in October.

Special No. 12-J

Catalog value \$7.70 **\$6.55**  
You Save Over \$1.00 Postpaid

## Martagon Lilies

These are among the oldest lilies in cultivation. Not only are they excellent performers in the shady garden but down through the years they have been used most successfully in hybridizing. The white variety is exceptionally fine.

**MARTAGON-506**—The purple Martagon or Turk's Cap lily is a European native, easily grown in sun or shade. The blooms are purplish-pink and small, with darker spots. Generally takes a year to become established. Ht. 3 to 5 ft. PD 4 in. June-July.

3 for \$3.95, each \$1.45

**MARTAGON Album-510**—Few, if any lilies, make a more beautiful picture than a well grown clump of this graceful and charming variety. Its small, delicate Turk's Cap blooms are an ivory white, sweetly fragrant, borne in four foot stems from mid-June into July. Prefers partial shade and a moist soil. Height, culture and planting depth (PD) as for Martagon.

3 for \$2.50, each 95c



## Lilium Candidum

### "CASCADE STRAIN"

The glowing reports on this improved form of the ancient Madonna indicate it is good all over the land.

This strain, grown from seed right here in Oregon, is vigorously healthy and blooms with unimagined freedom. Not finicky as to soils, they even tolerate heavy clay where all others fail. Full sunshine preferred though light shade is acceptable.

Plant very shallow with only an inch of soil over the top of the bulb. Early planting is important so that top growth can take place in the fall. As they mature early, shipping begins in August. We are usually almost sold out by early September. **If you order late, please indicate substitutes.** Candidum, the Madonna Lily, the lily of antiquity, is lovely indeed. You'll never want to be without it once its beauty graces your garden. Always plant in groups of three or more for the best effect. June blooming. Ht. 4 to 6 ft.

#### CANDIDUM "Cascade Strain"—200—

	3	1	12	25	100
Flowering	3 for \$1.40, each \$ .55, Doz. \$ 5.45, 25 for \$10.75				
Large	3 for \$1.85, each \$ .75, Doz. \$ 7.35, 25 for \$14.50				
Jumbo	3 for \$2.75, each \$1.00, Doz. \$10.90, 25 for \$21.50				

**CANDIDUM "White Elf"—201**—A true dwarf Candidum, dwarf in all respects. Fully established, it only grows twelve to fourteen inches tall, with truly gem-like blooms. A rare beauty for the rock garden or in the foreground of the hardy border. For flower arrangements, it is ideal. Culture the same as the regular Candidum. Be sure to plant with not more than an inch of soil over the top of the bulb.

3 for \$2.90, each \$1.10, Doz. \$11.50

**CANDIDUM Hybrid "Jewel"—202**—"Jewel" is well named for truly it is a gem of the first water. Here's a hybrid of Candidum and Chalcedonicum, the glorious "Red Martagon of Constantinople", one of the most brilliant of all lilies. Jewel, however, is a glistening pure white Madonna, broad-petaled and long lasting as in the best Candidums, but, it is adorned with jewel-like scarlet anthers of Chalcedonicum. You who have loved the old Candidum with its golden yellow anthers will thrill no end at this new one with brilliant red anthers. Actually it stands out in jewel-like splendor, truly a milestone in the progress of lily hybridizing. Culture the same as ordinary Candidums. "Jewel" is new and very scarce.

Flowering bulbs.....Each \$11.95

CASCADE MADONNA





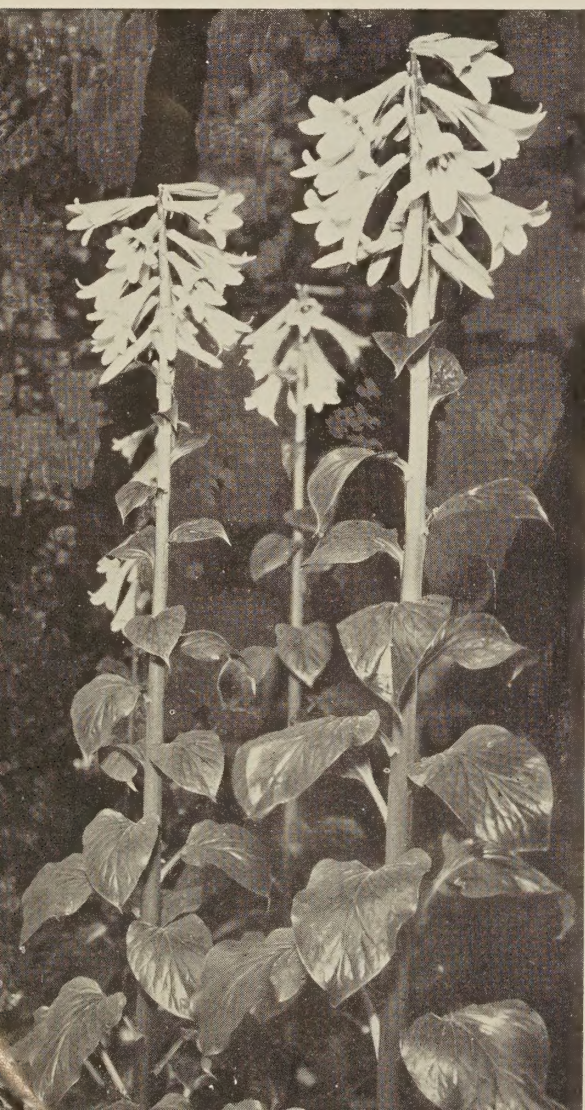
# Giganteum Himalaicum

**GIGANTEUM Himalaicum**—350—A magnificent lily worthy of any garden that can make it feel at home. Much has been written about this huge giant of the woodland. Blooming stalks grow from six to twelve feet tall with ten to twenty great trumpets seven to eight inches long. The big fragrant flowers are white, tinged with green outside, striped and splashed red-purple inside. Unless you have actually seen this wonderful lily, it is not easy to imagine what a majestic picture it makes.

This majestic lily has been described as being tender but we know of its wintering in central Minnesota with good protection. And Minnesota winters are not exactly balmy. Too, it has proven hardy in northern New York state and eastern Massachusetts. In light woodland with properly prepared soil (see below) it should be perfectly at home. A little extra effort is more than repaid when they bloom.

This lily grows very differently from most kinds. From seed, the bulbs require six or seven years to flower and after blooming the old bulb dies and leaves numerous offshoots, most of which will flower in three years. We suggest you plant this variety in all sizes offered and within a year you should have it well established and enjoy its magnificent bloom every year. The giant size bulbs, as large as a small grapefruit, generally bloom the first year. Sometimes they sort of "sulk" a year while establishing themselves.

GIGANTEUM HIMALAICUM—WHITE



The large size generally flowers the second year, sometimes, not until the third. But from then on you should have practically continuous bloom each year by resetting the offshoots left by the bulb after flowering.

Success with this magnificent and most interesting lily demands a suitable location in partial shade where hot sunshine can not reach it. Too, the soil must be very well filled with humus, "frothy", is probably the word that best describes the condition needed.

The bulbs are planted with but an inch of soil over the top and they must never want for moisture. Good drainage is an absolute "must". In cold sections give them a mulch of evergreen boughs and some peat moss. DO NOT mulch with leaves or any material which will hold moisture and decay or smother the bulb. These bulbs are quite different from most lily bulbs. If you could cut them open in the fall you would find large leaves surprisingly well developed, lying dormant awaiting the call of spring. This bulb needs to sort of "breathe" during the winter and the evergreen mulch allows air to reach them even if covered with snow.

We offer this lily in three sizes, jumbo, large and medium. The huge giant bulbs do not survive after flowering but each one leaves a dozen or more offshoots which may be expected to bloom the third year. These offshoots should not be disturbed for one year after the big bulbs flower, then may be reset. All in all it is a most fascinating variety, not only for its spectacular blooms and giant size but for its peculiar life habits. Established groups are indeed gorgeous.

Medium ..... 3 for \$ 8.15, each \$2.95  
Large ..... 3 for \$12.00, each \$4.25  
Jumbo ..... 3 for \$17.25, each \$5.95

**SPECIAL! 3 bulbs, one each size...\$12.85**

**CORDATUM**—224—I'm listing this new form of an old lily on this page because of its great similarity to the famous giant lily Giganteum. Its culture, habit of growth, soil preferences and exposure are the same as for Giganteum. Many gardens which have no place for the 8 to 11 foot tall Giant lily can plant this new one and enjoy its unusual effect. This Cordatum is free flowering, grows 5 to 6 feet tall. Study the cultural directions for Giganteum and check your garden. In the spring the foliage of Cordatum is crimson which gradually changes to green with a coppery sheen. Blooms funnel-shaped, milk-white in color with golden-yellow streaks inside and red-brown spots. July flowering. Cover top of bulb only one inch.

3 for \$5.80, each \$2.10



GRENADIER HYBRIDS—CHINESE CORAL

**GRENADIER Hybrids**—365—Our 1949 catalog introduced these. They are a cross of Maximowiczii and Dauricum Wilsoni. "Grenadier" (True) will not be offered for several years until a stock can be built up. It was awarded a First Class Certificate at the 1946 Boston Show. These hybrids are a group of selected clons from the same cross and are practically the same color as the true Grenadier, namely, shades of Chinese coral with garnet brown spots. The blooms are large, held horizontal. July. Ht. 3 to 4 ft. PD 4 in.

3 for \$7.75, each \$2.75, Doz. 30.75

**GALAHAD**—341—A new hybrid trumpet lily from crosses and recrosses of Sulphureum, Sargentiae and Regale. Blooms in late summer in a lovely shade of sulphur-yellow. Galahad is a strong growing, robust lily and very hardy, carrying up to 14 blooms in a pyramidal raceme of great beauty. Stock is limited so better order early. PD 6 inches.

3 for \$9.65, each \$3.50

**GRAND CANYON Hybrids**—362—A blend of gorgeous colors found in the canyon walls. Red, light and dark, in many shades predominate along with colors usually associated with fine oriental rugs; deep gold, rich orange, a few rusty golds and yellows. Named selections from this strain include such fine lilies as Valiant, Red Bird, Viking, Cherokee and others. They are mostly wide open, out-facing and semi-upright forms, seldom recurved. A vigorous healthy group developed by Dr. Palmer, famous for his work with Glads. **Offered in mixture only.** Ht. 3 to 6 ft. July to August. PD 6 in.

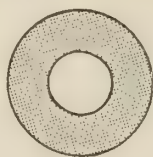
3 for \$3.15, each \$1.20, Doz. \$12.35

## Green Mountain Hybrids

**GREEN MT. Hybrids**—363—Customers report exceptional prize-winning blooms from this comparatively new white trumpet lily. In form it is similar to the famous Olympic Hybrids but in size and interesting color variations, it is impressively outstanding. The green tinted throats and brown shaded exteriors together with their distinct forms have made them very valuable for exhibition and specimen planting. For best effects, plant in light shade, in clumps of three or more and enjoy unusual perfection. PD 6 in. Ht. 4 to 6 ft. July.

3 for \$1.95, each 75c, Doz. \$7.60





# SPECIAL

Three each of three fine lilies described on this page, namely Fire King, Late Formosanum and lovely Estate, PLUS one bulb of beautiful Speciosum "Ruby", see page 29. In all, ten fine lily bulbs, all flowering size.

SPECIAL  
No. 11-J

A \$9.00 value  
You Save \$1.10

**\$7.90**  
Postpaid

**FIRE KING-310**—Some of the experts consider this one of the finest of the newer lilies. It produces a magnificent four foot spike with up to forty vermilion-scarlet blooms, beautifully held as the picture shows. Fire King multiplies fast and is very easy to grow. An established clump is one of the most vivid color displays in the garden in late June and early July. PD 5 in.

Flow'g: 3 for \$5.00; ea., \$1.85, Doz. \$19.90

FIREKING—VERMILION-SCARLET



**LONGIFLORUM "Estate"-440**—To a great many garden folk, the "Easter Lily" is the true lily and among lilies of this type, Estate is tops. In the garden it grows 4 to 6 feet tall with six to nine huge pure white trumpets at least double the size of the old imported Easter Lilies. Estate is a lily that should be in every garden. From any standpoint it is good. The flower is large, it lasts well, it is easy to grow and with slight protection, it is hardy even up north. Don't overlook this beautiful white lily. Late July. PD 6 in.

Fl'ring: 3 for \$1.85, ea. \$ .75, Doz. \$ 7.35

Large: 3 for \$2.75, ea. \$1.00, Doz. \$10.90

Jumbos: 3 for \$3.80, ea. \$1.40, Doz. \$15.10

**LONGIFLORUM Ace-435**—This is a lily I can recommend very highly for either garden or greenhouse where a dwarf lily is wanted. Ace seldom grows over two feet tall, frequently less. However its blooms are very large, well held and freely produced on good stems. For a mass of bloom, few other lilies equal it. As a forcing lily, it exceeds the famous Croft. July-Aug. PD 6 in. 3 for \$2.35, each 90c

**LONGIFLORUM Croft-430**—This widely advertised Easter Lily, originally grown only in southern Oregon, is one of the finest forcing lilies for the greenhouse. In the garden we recommend Estate but inside Croft is hard to beat. Flowers outside in July. Full sun. Ht. 1½ to 2 ft. PD 6 in.

Fl'ring: 3 for \$1.40, ea. \$ .55, Doz. \$ 5.45

Large: 3 for \$2.35, ea. \$ .90, Doz. \$ 9.25

Jumbos: 3 for \$3.15, ea. \$1.20, Doz. \$12.35

**LONGIFLORUM Estate x Snowdrift-441**—For those who would like a lily similar to our Estate but not so tall, this new strain fills the bill. It has all the good features of the Estate but grows only 3 to 4 feet tall. This is the first offering of this cross and we look for it to become very popular. Culture the same as other Longiflorums. Try it and I'm sure you will find it satisfactory.

3 for \$2.35, each 90c, Doz. \$9.25

## A Very Late, Long Flowering Lily

**FORMOSANUM Late, Pure White-318**—This is a new form, quite different in that the entire flower is pure white, inside and out. Too, it is far more vigorous than the older No. 316 and seems to be much longer lived. This is not a seedling but a new clonal strain. It starts flowering in September and keeps it up until late fall unless cut down by frost. Where fall is long and mild as in this part of Oregon, this late form usually flowers well into December. For cutting it is very fine, a real beauty. I'm sure you will find it most desirable. The bulbs are not large but they produce heavy stems with many stem roots and a huge number of blooms. A bulb an inch in diameter will send up a full size flower stalk. Succeeds in average soils. If late summer and fall are dry, don't overlook watering. PD 5 in. Prefers full sun.

Flowering size ..... 3 for \$1.10, each 45c, Doz. \$4.10

Large ..... 3 for \$1.85, each 75c, Doz. \$7.35

### SPECIAL FOR MASS PLANTING AND CUTTING!

25 flowering size bulbs, postpaid.....\$7.90

**GOLD CUP Hybrids-296**—Introduced in '49, these were so popular we had to withdraw them to build up stocks. They are a vigorous group, upright and free flowering, of the easiest culture. They vary from bright orange-yellow through shades of apricot to chrome-yellow. Full sun, June flowering. PD 4 in.

3 for \$3.65, each \$1.35, Doz. \$14.50

**GOLD FLAKE-352**—A 1954 introduction of exceptional merit. It is a large, flat opening bloom, semi-upright on 2 to 3 foot stems, golden yellow with mahogany spots. A very showy plant not only in the garden but for flower arrangements. Good in full sun or part shade. Mid June. PD 5 inches. 3 for \$12.50, each \$4.35

**FORMOSANUM Early variety-317**—Known as Price's variety. It blooms July into August with stems generally about a foot tall. The blooms are not quite as big as the late variety. Ideal in the rock garden or foreground of the hardy border. Surrounded by summer flowers, it is delightful. PD 5 inches.

3 for \$1.40, each 55c, Doz. \$5.45

"THE ESTATE LILY"—WHITE





## Hansoni with Backhouse and Marhan Hybrids



HANSONI

**HANSONI**—380—One of the best loved of the older lilies. Not only is it easy to grow but it is "different". Medium size, orange-yellow, spotted brown with up to twelve blooms per stem. A good lily for beginners as well as collectors. Plant in light shade to prevent bleaching of delicate tones. Too, it should have protection of a ground cover to save early starting shoots from frost injury.

Late June into July on four to six foot stems. We urge that orders be sent as early as possible. Late orders should suggest substitutes. PD 5 in.

3 for \$3.30, each \$1.25, Doz. \$13.10



**HENRYI**—386—This popular orange colored lily is one of the most satisfactory of all in the semi-shady garden. It is hardy, vigorous, healthy and long lived. Its soft pleasing color blends well with many other flowers. The re-have an attractive green line down the center of the petals. Likes average to heavy loam, somewhat on the alkaline side. Don't use peat moss. This lily has proven especially adaptable to Florida and the south, though perfectly hardy to extreme cold. August flowering. Ht. 5 to 7 ft. PD 6 inches.

Flowering: 3 for \$1.10, each 45c, Doz. \$4.10  
Large: 3 for \$1.75, each 70c, Doz. \$6.95

**HENRYI "Erecta"**—388—The much loved Henryi has a very limber stem and is inclined to bend over unless staked. Here in this new variety "Erecta", is one that has a very stiff stem, always standing erect. In other respects it is the same as Henryi No. 386. You will find it very desirable.

3 for \$4.75, each \$1.75

**PARDALINUM**—590—One of the easiest grown of all native Lilies is this brilliant gem from the Pacific Northwest. Perfectly hardy and not particular as to location through happier in partial shade with plenty of moisture but good drainage. The Martagon type blooms are quite recurved, deep orange shading to crimson at tips of the petals. This Lily is ideal along a stream or beside a pool with ferns as ground cover combined with blue or lavender flowered Hosta (Funkia). Mid-June-July. Ht. 4 to 7 feet. PD 4 in.

3 for \$1.65, each 65c, Doz. \$6.35

◀ PARDALINUM

Here are some of the most enchantingly beautiful of all lilies. They are medium sized and very floriferous with up to forty blooms per stem. Equally important, they are very vigorous, healthy and long lived. Every one listed is a collector's item, truly a connoisseur's gem. Height 5 to 6 ft, June-July flowering, partial shade or full sun. PD 5 in. Type of flower similar to Hansoni at right.

**BROCADE**—182—An orange-yellow with pink marbling and maroon dots. Truly a symphony of color harmony. Each \$5.65

**DALHANSONI**—250—Deep mahogany-red, almost purple-brown. As many as 40 blooms per stem. Very distinctive. Each \$5.65

**GUINEA GOLD**—366—Buds are pink, flowers a lovely yellow spotted brown. Healthy and vigorous. Each \$4.30

**MARHAN**—490—A delightful rich orange, spotted reddish-brown. Medium size blooms. A true aristocrat. Each \$3.85

**MARHAN Ellen Willmott**—491—Lustrous orange, overlaid purple. Very rare and scarce. You'll love it. Each \$5.65

**MARHAN H. J. Elwes**—496—A rich bronzy-orange, splashed with purplish-red. Exquisite and rare. Each \$5.65

**MRS. R. O. BACKHOUSE**—170—(Pronounced Back-ous) Hansoni type, ivory to yellow with a translucent overcast, lightly flecked reddish-purple. An intriguing, exquisite beauty. Each \$4.30

**SCEPTRE**—768—Deep rose-pink over ivory base, tips of petals flushed fuchsia purple, flecked with deep purple spots. A lily for the true connoisseur. Each \$5.65

**SUTTON COUT**—794—A glittering canary-yellow, shaded pink with purple spots. Superlatively beautiful. Each \$4.30

**HENRYI Citrinum**—387—A rare and very desirable lily, one of the loveliest in cultivation. Identical with the type Henryi except for color which is a clear citron-yellow. This lily is especially welcome as its season of bloom comes when yellows are scarce. Culture same as No. 386. 3 for \$12.50, each \$4.35

HENRYI—ORANGE







REGAL LILY

**REGALE Pure White-681**—This is white not only inside but outside as well. Blooms the same time as the usual Regale but is distinctly different. It has every good trait of the species and bids fair to become very popular when better known. Culture same as the type.

3 for \$1.35, each 55c, Doz. \$5.25

**REGALE Bulblets-680B**—We can supply fine Regale bulblets which should bloom the second year and grow into fine large bulbs. You can plant 50 of them in a space three feet square and transplant them a year later into their permanent locations. In this way you get a lot of garden beauty for a minimum outlay. Maybe you and your neighbors can club together and buy 1000 at the special price. 50 for \$2.95, 100-\$5.25, 250-\$10.25, 500-\$19.00, 1000-\$35.00

**REGALE Giant-683**—This is the first offering of this selected form of the famous Royal Lily. As its name implies, it is a giant lily on a strong, stiff stem, bold and outstanding. Grows as easy as the regular Regal. Supply limited. 3 for \$6.95, each \$2.75

**AMABILE-125**—A pretty little Turk's Cap Lily, grenadine red with tiny black spots, free flowering and all around healthy. Ideal for the middle or front of the hardy border where it adds a splash of airy brilliance. Late June. Ht. 1½ to 3 feet. PD 4 in. Full sun or part shade. 3 for \$1.55, each 60c, Doz. \$5.95

AMABILE



**AMABILE Luteum-126**—A comparatively rare lily but one of the best of the low priced yellows. Easy to grow in most any soil even withstanding considerable drouth. Ht. 1½ to 3 ft. Late June. Full sun or part shade. PD 4 inches. 3 for \$3.30, each \$1.25, Doz. \$13.10

AMABILE LUTEUM

**NOTE!**

PD means  
planting  
depth.

PD 4 in. means  
plant with  
4 inches of soil  
over the top  
of the bulb.

## The Regal Lily

**REGALE-680**—This popular lily needs no description. Used to the best advantage, it may well be one of the highlights of your garden. In garden pictures, the rare lilies are not necessarily more beautiful than more plentiful varieties. It is how you use them. 25, 50 or 100 Regales can make your garden outstanding as June fades into July, they can make it the most beautiful garden in your neighborhood.

Plant them in clumps of three, five or seven and plan companion plantings to make picture effects. Picture Regales against an evergreen hedge, their great blossom heads, deliciously fragrant, make an unforgettable show. Against a gray stone wall or lining a garden path, their gracious beauty is ever welcome. Try them in drifts in front of a fence covered with pink climbing roses; here and there in the foreground use a few clumps of blue Iris Kaempferi and make a ground cover of Gypsophila Repens, Rosy Vail. There are so many ways to use Regales in your garden. Don't make the mistake of thinking because of their low cost and ease of growth, they are not desirable. Regales are deservedly the most popular lily in the world today, truly the Royal Lily.

Regales enjoy full sun, thrive in light or heavy soils, with or without lime. They start growth early, so keep them mulched well in cold sections until frost danger is past. Few other lilies exceed the Regale in characteristics that make a good garden plant. Height 3 to 5 feet. PD (planting depth) 6 inches. June-July. Regales produce jumbo bulbs when properly handled and we are usually able to supply a limited number. They also come in large, medium and flowering size. The flowering size have all bloomed in the fields and may be expected to flower the first year. Shipment from October to March but PLEASE ORDER EARLY.

**REGALE-680**—All our bulbs are grown right here in the Northwest, acclimated to American conditions. All prices are POSTPAID.

	3	1	12	25	100
Flowering .....	\$ .85	\$ .35	\$ 3.35	\$ 6.65	\$26.00
Medium .....	1.10	.45	4.35	8.65	34.00
Large .....	1.85	.75	7.25	14.25	56.00
Jumbos .....	2.75	1.00	10.90	21.75	87.00

GARDEN BEAUTY WITH GREAT MASSES OF REGALS





# Species Rare and Unusual

Among the specie lilies we find many which are rare indeed. This catalog offers some of them, coming originally from the far corners of the world but now grown right here in Oregon, fully acclimated to American conditions. Among them are many beautiful things. A few are offered on this page while others will be found elsewhere in this catalog. Truly, they are lilies for the connoisseur and collector. Most of them are not too plentiful but you will find them eminently worth while.



LANKONGENSE—PALE ROSE

**LANKONGENSE**—412—Here's a rare species, almost unknown in this country though discovered in 1886. As far as we know it has never been offered before in America. The pendant, pale rose-colored, recurved blooms, up to fifteen in number, open late July into August. Color deepens with age and shows purple spots. Anthers purplish with rusty-brown pollen. All in all, it's a most delightful jewel of a lily, a true find for the lily connoisseur. It likes a cool semi-shady spot, loose loamy soil full of leaf-mold, ample moisture and dislikes lime. Ht. 2 to 3 ft. PD 4 in. 3 for \$4.75, each \$1.75

**JAPONICUM**—400—One of the most beautiful of all the pink lilies, an exquisite trumpet-shaped bloom varying from pale pink to deep rose. Not an easy lily but charmingly fragrant, worth every effort it demands. PD 4 inches. Small bulbs: 3 for \$3.30, each \$1.25

**JAPONICUM** *Platyfolium*—401—This is a hardier form of this lily considered by some to be a hybrid with *Rubellum*. The leaves are broader and the plant more vigorous. Delightfully fragrant. Various shades of rose-pink. Ht. 2 to 4 ft. PD 4 inches. May blooming.

3 for \$4.00, each \$1.50

**MACKLINIAE**—502—We offered this in '53, we believe for the first time in America. The famous Englishman, F. Kingdon-Ward, discovered it in India near the Burma border in 1946. For the collector who wants something "different", this is a true little beauty. The bloom is delightfully informal, a widely opened bell type somewhat similar to the rare *Bakerianum*. It's a lovely light pink, flushed but unspotted. Give it a cool semi-shady location, a loose porous soil and never must it want for moisture. This is a lily for the connoisseur, rare and very unusual. Ht. 1 to 3 ft. PD 4 in. June-July.

3 for \$23.95, each \$8.25

**NEILGHERRENSE**—568—A rare and handsome lily from the hills of southern India not offered since 1942. Its native habitat is the most southern of all known lilies and hence, except in the south, it must be grown inside or in pots which may be taken in to avoid freezing. Blooming August-September, producing strongly fragrant, trumpet-shaped flowers up to a foot in length, held horizontally, it is strikingly handsome. Color is pure white with rich yellow within the tube. Ht. 2 to 3 ft. Demands a warm sheltered spot with soil almost pure leafmold. PD 5 inches.

3 for \$15.00, each \$5.25

**SZOVITSIANUM**—810—A rare Caucasian lily closely related to *Monadelphum* but blooming somewhat earlier. In fact, one of the earliest of all, and valuable for this reason. Blooms are pale straw-yellow, freely spotted purplish black. A very beautiful and desirable lily. Ht. 3 to 5 ft. PD 4 in. Generally requires a year to establish. Partial shade, ample humus.

3 for \$10.95, each \$4.00

**TSINGTAUENSE**—850—A rare species from China, similar in growth habit to *Colcolor* but it is orange in color and the flowers are carried in an umbel rather than scattered. Plant in part shade, in moist soil. Here in Oregon it is quite charming and we are glad to offer it. July. Ht. 1½ to 3 ft. PD 3 in.

3 for \$4.75, each \$1.75

**MICHIGANENSE**—556—Another native, this one from the middle-west, possibly a hybrid between *Canadense* and *Superbum*. Blooms vary from a brilliant red to shades of yellow, profusely spotted with purplish brown petals reflexed. A good Lily for the woodland garden where it finds partial shade and ample moisture. July. Ht. 2 to 5 feet. PD 5 inches.

3 for \$2.90, each \$1.10

**WALLICHIANUM**—865—A very rare and handsome lily but not hardy outside where the ground freezes. It is funnel-shaped with a slender tube and wide spreading mouth, creamy-white within and green outside. A lovely fragrant lily for the greenhouse or outside in the warm sections. Himalayan foothills are its home where it grows on open grassy hills. A very scarce lily. Ht. 3 to 6 ft. PD 5 in. August-September.

3 for \$11.75, each \$4.25

**GRAYI**—360—A delightful little Lily somewhat resembling the lovely *Canadense*. Outside of blooms is crimson; orange inside with many reddish-purple dots. Try planting it with a ground cover of ferns against a blue flowering hydrangea. You'll be surprised how the brilliance of the Lily will enliven the blue of the shrub. A moist location in partial shade suits this Lily best. Our bulbs are the true form and stock is limited. Ht. 2 to 3 ft. PD 4 in.

3 for \$2.90, each \$1.10

**HUMBOLDTII** *Magnificum*—398—The most striking of our natives. Strong grower, 3 to 4 feet tall, flowering freely. Blooms reflexed, golden-orange, dotted maroon, each dot bordered crimson. This Lily usually takes a year after planting to become established but is well worth the waiting. PD 6 in. July.

3 for \$4.75, each \$1.75

**Note:** See page 19 for description of our NEW Humboldtii Hybrids, introduced for the first time this year.

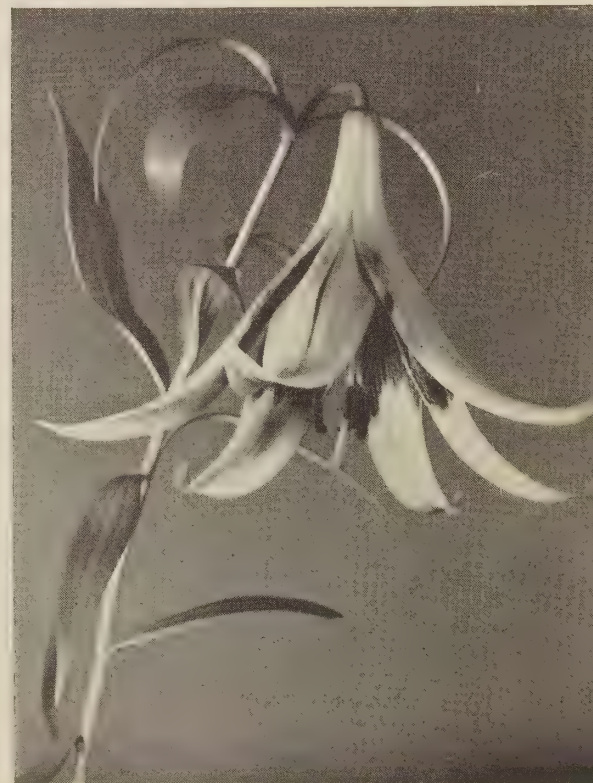
**MEDELOIDES**—546—An Asiatic Martagon with apricot to scarlet blooms spotted black. A native of Japan where it is beloved by all. Its normal height is one to two feet. An excellent rock garden lily and should be planted in almost pure leaf mold and sand. Partial shade. PD 3 in. July.

3 for \$4.75, each \$1.75

**NEPALENSE**—570—A very rare and "different" lily from Burma. The broad funnel-shaped trumpets are greenish-yellow to white, with throats deeply splashed and stained wine-purple, one of the most unusual lilies in cultivation. Though long considered tender, Oregon's '48-'49 winter down to well below zero did not harm those planted out in the open field. *Nepalense* demands a leaf mold soil, perfect drainage, ample moisture, part shade and a ground cover. It produces stem bulblets freely and in time forms large colonies. It is a lily for the connoisseur who wants the "different and unusual". The small bulbs produce nice blooms as it is a stem rooting variety. July Ht. 1½ to 3 ft. PD 4 inches

3 for \$15.95, each \$5.65

L. NEPALENSE—GREENISH-YELLOW





# Miss Preston's Hybrid Lilies

These are a grand group of lilies, vigorous, and healthy. They thrive in full sun or light shade. Brilliance of color and exceptionally free flowering make them very popular. June-July. PD 5 in.



PRESTON'S HYBRIDS

**CORSAIR**-227-One of the popular new upright type lilies, candelabrum effect, a stunning garden picture. 12 to 15 blooms on sturdy 2 to 3 foot stems, apricot-yellow, flushed with red. 3 for \$7.75, each \$2.75

**TYPHOON**-852-A different upright with the spectacular flame-scarlet blooms clustered at the top of the 2 to 3 foot stems. Use it toward the front of the border. A long lived lily. 3 for \$7.75, each \$2.75

**LILLIAN CUMMINGS**-420-This is one of Miss Preston's earliest lilies but very well worth while, orange-red with small brown spots, the large recurved blooms are held facing outward on stiff 4 to 5 foot stems. 3 for \$1.75, each 70c, Doz. \$6.95

**NAVAJO**-567-A 1954 introduction by Mr. Kline. A seedling of famous Fire King (other parent unknown). Color fire red, tips of petals shaded capsicum red, very few inconspicuous dots at center of flower. Like its parent, this lily combines disease resistance and ease of culture together with a distinctly different color combination of exceptional brilliance. It flowers freely, established plants carry up to thirty large recurved blooms, outward facing on three to four foot stems. June. PD 5 in. 3 for \$10.95, each \$4.00

## LILY FOOD

Unless your soil is exceptionally good you will find the Lily Food offered on page 18 invaluable. Our Lily Feeding Program is designed to provide a balanced ration of the elements your lilies need.

**CORONATION**-226-Among the better yellows this is low in price. Slightly pendant recurved flowers. Three foot stems with up to twenty sparkling yellow blooms with a few brown spots. You will like it.

3 for \$4.75, each \$1.75, Doz. \$18.85

## PRESTON'S HYBRIDS

### Mixed No. 624

For mass color in the border few other groups can equal these brilliant hybrids. They are all raised from seed, a vigorous healthy lot similar in type to the named varieties on this page. Colors range through shades of red, orange, yellow and gold, truly a gorgeous array. Culture as for named varieties. Ht. 3 to 5 ft. PD 6 in. July. Plant them in groups of six or a dozen or more for beautiful effects.

3 for \$1.50, each 60c, Doz. \$5.90

**SPITFIRE**-784-Candelabrum type and truly spectacular in the garden, holding upright its large scarlet vase-like blooms with a few reddish-brown spots and Brazil-red pollen. Flowering in early July, you will like it more each year. These lilies by Miss Preston have exceptionally vigorous and healthy growth habits and are long lived under average conditions. They ask no pampering.

3 for \$4.05, each \$1.50

## New!

**SOVEREIGN**-772-Here's a grand addition to our all too few good yellows. It is a rich brilliant yellow with a few faint spots. The medium height sturdy stems carry up to twenty somewhat pendant recurved large blooms of good substance. This is one of the best of the newer introductions. Each \$4.00

**LYSANDER**-471-Upright, vase-shaped blooms arranged in tiers, candelabrum style, make this an outstanding new lily. Big flame-scarlet blooms of this beauty will make a brilliant picture in your border. Height four feet, vigorous and long lasting.

3 for \$9.65, each \$3.50

**MAXWILL**-540-One of the finest of the more recent hybrids, a lily that is unsurpassed in vigor, floriferousness and adaptability to ordinary garden conditions. When established, its sturdy six foot stems produce up to forty blooms, brilliant orange-red with black spots and long brick-red stamens. Maxwill blooms in July. PD 5 in.

3 for \$1.25, each 50c, Doz. \$4.35

**HENRYI x AURELIAN Hybrids**-389-These are a selected strain of famous Aurelians back crossed with Henryi. There are both flaring and reflexed forms in the lot and they are sold in mixture only. Large to very large in size and flowering with great freedom, you will find them a most excellent lot. They offer quite a range of fine pastel shades. Tolerant to a wide variety of soils they will thrive in your garden either in full sun or partial shade. You will like them I'm sure. August flowering. 5 to 7 ft. tall. PD 6 inches.

3 for \$9.65, each \$3.50

**MARGARET JOHNSON**-480-This is a new hybrid of our old favorite Tiger Lily. The blooms are held horizontally or erect in a truly charming manner. Color is a delightful salmon-orange, spotted mahogany. It flowers freely on sturdy stems 4 to 5 feet tall. Plant in sun or partial shade.

3 for \$4.90, each \$1.80

## New!

**MARGARET JOHNSON Hybrids Mixed**-481-You who have long loved the old Tiger lily and no longer tolerate its disease carrying habits, have banished it from your gardens, will welcome this strain. In color, form and garden effect you will find it most satisfying. And it is healthy and safe to grow. In a group of them there will be some variation in color of the blooms and the way they are held but their effect in a group is excellent. Full sun or part shade. Ht. 3 to 4 ft. PD 6 in.

3 for \$2.75, each \$1.00, Doz. \$10.90

**MAXIMOWICZII Wadai**-530-Essentially a refined Tiger Lily with all the good points of the latter and as easily grown. If you have done away with Tigers due to their carrying mosaic infection, try this lily and you will find it not only healthy but a better grower. Deep orange-red spotted with mahogany, a brilliant splash of color in the border. It has been called the early Tiger as it flowers in July. Sun or part shade. Ht. 4 to 6 ft. PD 5 in.

3 for \$1.10, each 45c, Doz. \$4.10

**PRINCEPS Creelman Hybrid Seedlings**-634-In these hybrids, all propagated from seed, you are offered a very fine strain similar to the true Creelman but varying somewhat in heights and with their flowering season extended considerably (mid-July to mid-August). This variation and extended season make them simply perfect to mass for mid-summer bloom. Culture as below.

Flowering: 3 for \$1.55, ea., 60c, Doz. \$5.95

PRINCEP'S CREELMAN HYBRIDS





**SHUKSAN-790**—Among the named Bellingham Hybrids, most experts consider this the best. On 4 to 6 foot stems it produces 15 or more Martagon type, irregularly reflexed blooms, cadmium-yellow, faintly flushed red at the apex, with a few black dots. Shuksan is a good garden lily, spectacular in bloom and a good cut flower. Always plant in clumps of three or more either in full sun or part shade. It demands good drainage and ample humus in the soil. July flowering. PD 6 inches.

3 for \$1.85, each 75c, Doz. \$7.35

**BELLINGHAM Hybrids Mixed-177**—This famous strain is Martagon in type, fully or partially reflexed, nodding to semi-outfacing. Colors range from clear yellow through the yellow-oranges to bright orange-red, many spotted with reddish-brown. Ideal and long lasting as cut flowers. They are a magnificent lot, airy and graceful, almost orchid-like in effect. The tall, slender, straight stems carry 20 to 30 blooms per stalk. Large bulbs send up two or more stalks and soon form nice clumps. July flowering. Ht. 4 to 6 ft. PD 6 inches. They prefer partial shade, perfect drainage and soil well filled with humus.

Flowering ..... 3 for \$1.25, each 50c, Doz. \$4.35

Large ..... 3 for \$1.75, each 70c, Doz. \$6.95



SHUKSAN

**PARRYI-600**—One of the loveliest, delightfully fragrant, a pleasing lemon-yellow with a few faint purple-brown spots. An extra choice lily if you give it soil well filled with humus, perfectly drained but always moist. A lovely lily, worth every bit of extra effort it demands. Sun or partial shade but always a moist soil. Ht. 3 to 5 ft. July. PD 5 in.

3 for \$6.25, each \$2.25, Doz. \$24.90

PARRYI



BELLINGHAM HYBRIDS







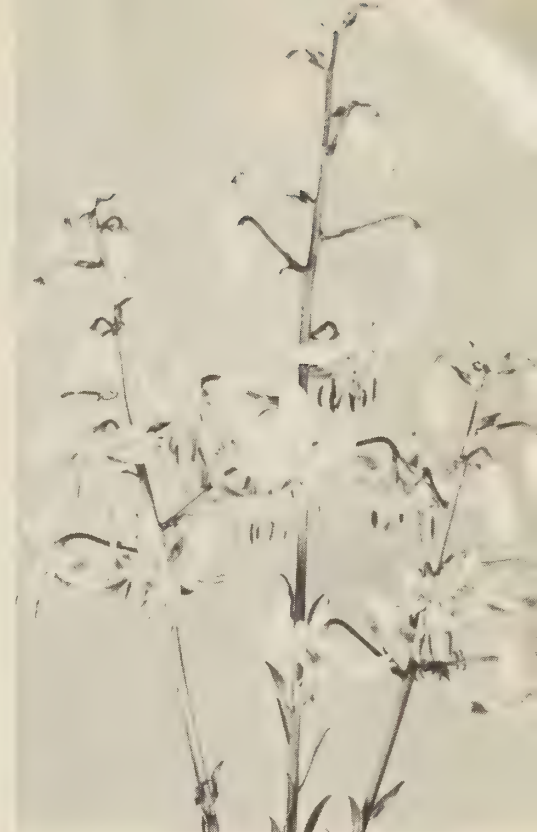
MR. JAN DE GRAAFF IN ONE OF HIS FIELDS  
OF THREE YEAR OLD SEEDLING LILIES

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## FINE LILIES

**"Oregon Grown"**  
**"Fresh Dug"**  
**for Fall Planting**



PAINTED LADY HYBRIDS

**FIESTA Hybrid, Dr. Abel—246.** We introduced this fine DeGraaff hybrid in 1951 and have never been able to supply the demand for it. It is a gorgeous deep blood-red, speckled black, a stunning lily for the hardy border. Vigorous, healthy and free flowering in ordinary soils, it fills the need for a good red lily in average garden soils. The form and inflorescence is pictured on page 22 as Fiesta Hybrid. Four to 6 feet tall, a foolproof lily for every garden. Award of Merit, Massachusetts Horticultural Society, 1946. July blooming. PD 5 in. Three for \$3.95, each \$1.45, doz. \$15.75

**SUNSTAR, 795.** DeGraaff 1955 introduction. Here's a brilliant dazzling, star-shaped lily, which as soon as it becomes plentiful, will be among the most popular of all garden lilies. It's easily the most spectacular and outstanding in its color class. It is even more brilliant than the famous Enchantment and as good a grower right out in the full sun. The hottest sun does not seem to fade its brilliance, a glowing, vibrant orange. The form is an open flattish-cup, star-shaped and held upright on slender stems. Truly a stunning garden highlight. Height, 3 to 4 feet. PD 5 in. July. Each \$10.00

**GREEN DRAGON, 364.** At last we are able to offer a very few bulbs of this startlingly unusual lily so many have been wanting all these years. First mentioned nearly ten years ago, every available bulb was snatched up and it had to be withheld for further propagation. This year we can supply just a few bulbs and it will be "first come, first served". Green Dragon is considered the finest trumpet lily ever produced. It is a chartreuse-colored, bowl-shaped trumpet lily, quite different from most other trumpet lilies. As a seed parent, it is outstanding and will doubtless influence the production of new trumpet lilies for years to come. Height, 5 to 6 feet. August flowering. PD 6 in. Each \$12.50

**MAXIMOWICZII Selections, 533.** These are selected forms of this fine lily originally from the mountains of Korea and Japan. A 1955 DeGraaff introduction. It is taller and later than the strain, flowering late summer into autumn when good lilies are far from plentiful. A brilliant fiery orange-red, 5 to 8 feet tall, it will find a hearty welcome as soon as better known. The supply is somewhat limited. Three for \$4.00, each \$1.50, doz. \$16.40

**ORDER NOW** — Please get your order in as early as possible. Many fine lilies will sell out early and we don't want to disappoint you.

**PAINTED LADY Hybrids, 592.** This is a new strain, introduced in '54, developed by Mr. Edgar L. Kline. Poised almost like butterflies, they make never-to-be-forgotten garden pictures. These hybrids are crosses and re-crosses of two very fine species, Hansoni and Martagon. They are true aristocrats not only in their modest size but in their charming and delightful array of color. Basically, they are yellow and pearl-white, a few nice reds and oranges, but the entire lot is splashed and shaded with various tones of brown, red, yellow, green and purple. They offer some of the most delightful and intriguing color combinations imaginable. You'll find them outstanding, I'm sure. The healthy, vigorous bulbs produce up to 60 blooms on five to six-foot stems throughout June and July. PD 6 in. Mixed only. Three for \$14.25, each \$4.95, doz. \$56.00

**MARLYN ROSS, 907 (L. Wilsoni flavum).** This is the first offering of this new lily from far off New Zealand. A lovely upright lily, lemon-yellow or sulphur-yellow with a broad orange band down the center of each petal and attractively spotted deep maroon. The expanded flower is flattish cup-shaped, over six inches across. Marlyn Ross received an Award of Merit from the Royal Horticultural Society in '53. Height, 3 to 4 feet. PD 4 inches. Each \$10.00



## THEY SAY...

**From WISCONSIN**—"When the lily bulbs arrived, a letter should have gone forward to you at once. The packing was exceptional, and the bulbs were in perfect condition. All are growing, most of them showing buds. We are anticipating some unusual bloom from your bulbs."

**From GEORGIA**—"Last summer the lilies from you bloomed nicely and made a better showing than any other flower. Our summer was very hot and dry and most of the garden was a great disappointment. The lilies look fine this spring and we look forward to their blooming again."

**From NEW YORK**—"Your collection of lilies arrived via Special Delivery late Sunday and I was able to get them in at once even though I had to have my mother hold the flashlight for the last ones."









*Heart's  
Desire*

## *New Hybrid Lilies by De Graaff*

Here we offer many of the finest of this famous hybridizers new lilies.  
Until you have seen and enjoyed them in your own border, and only then,  
can you fully appreciate their unusual perfection.

**HEART'S DESIRE**, 151. A giant of a lily with many large to very large  
bowl-shaped blooms, widely flared, white and pastels, buff, cream, all shades  
of yellow, apricot and orange. A gorgeous lot, in mixture only,  
many with bright orange throats. Very vigorous and hardy.

Three for \$5.00, each \$1.85, doz. \$19.50

*De Graaff  
Hybrids  
at their  
finest*



*Golden  
Clarion*

**GOLDEN CLARION**, 152. A golden  
yellow trumpet lily, equal in form to the  
glorious Olympics on page 8, truly a magnificent  
addition to this great lily group. The yellows vary  
from clear butter-yellow down to creamy-yellow.  
These yellow trumpets are still very scarce but eminently worthwhile.  
Plant in filtered sunlight and enjoy their delightful perfection.  
Three for \$10.95, each \$3.95, doz. \$43.50

**GOLDEN CHALICE**, 870. Richly colored, golden upright lilies  
on tall strong stems, blooming profusely in June. They are a hardy  
vigorous lot, at home all over the country, a gem in the  
perennial border where you look down into their  
chalice-like cups. You'll love them!  
Three for \$1.25, each 45c, doz. \$4.85



*Golden Chalice*

*Enchantment*



*The Sunburst Strain*

**SUNBURST** Strain Hybrids, 150. Here's a group  
of spectacular new lilies, exotic and different. The tall  
five to seven-foot stems carry up to thirty large, heavy  
textured blooms in mid-summer when they are most appreciated.  
White, buff, all shades of yellow to apricot and orange.  
Sold in mixture only.  
Three for \$3.65, each \$1.35, doz. \$14.50

**ENCHANTMENT**, 887 (Patented). One of the most  
sensationally beautiful of all new lilies. The immense flower  
heads with their many open cup-shaped blooms, intense,  
blazing nasturtium-red, may easily be the highlight  
of the July garden. Of the easiest culture,  
hardy as an oak, height 3 to 5 feet, they multiply rapidly  
and make a stunning display for weeks.  
Three for \$1.55, each 60c, doz. \$5.95







### PLANT THREE OF A KIND

*We earnestly suggest the planting of three bulbs of a kind in a group for the best effect. Though one lily stem is lovely, three of a kind together is many times more beautiful. Please note the considerable savings in lots of three.*

### Here are two 1955 Introductions!

**LIGHTHOUSE**, 421. A DeGraaff 1955 introduction. A giant among upright lilies, six to eight feet tall with the largest blooms ever seen in this type lily. The flower is an open cup-shape type and its huge size makes it a most outstanding garden subject. The color is a delightful pastel, pinkish-orange that is most pleasing and striking in the border. This giant lily is the sturdiest, largest and best proportioned of the Mid-Century-Hollywood type. July flowering. PD 5 in. Supply limited. Each \$7.75

**PALOMINO**, 593. A DeGraaff '55 introduction. Here's a most unusual lily with large recurved pendant blooms that form intriguing globes, well spaced and adequate pedicels. All in all an out of the ordinary lily. A free bloomer on five-foot stems. The color is best described as "beige", buff or Nankeen yellow, similar to the famous old Testaceum, but a bit more refined and pastel. Displayed with dark blue Delphinium, the effect is startlingly beautiful. For flower arrangements it is delightful. Early summer. Scarce. Each \$10.00

**SIAM**, 740. 1952 introduction by Palmer. A cross between two fine lilies, Skyrocket and Spitfire. Siam is clear salmon-scarlet, Turk's Cap type, semi-out-facing. Early July. New and very scarce. Height 3 to 3 1/2 ft. PD 5 in. 3 for \$12.50, each \$4.35

**SIRDAR**, 742. Another hybrid of Skyrocket and Spitfire, this one a glowing dark red, wide open, slightly reflexed and facing directly out. A mid-July bloomer of excellent quality. Height 3 to 4 ft. PD 5 in. 3 for \$12.50, each \$4.35

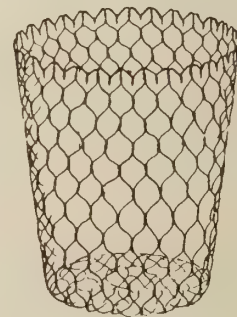
**SMARKAND**, 746. A third 1952 introduction, this one a cross of Skyrocket and Sultan. A large Martagon type, flowering July. Pendant blooms, pyramidal heads on 3 to 4-foot stems. Color deep glowing red. Reds, good ones, are in great demand and these three will be popular when better known. 3 for \$12.50, each \$4.35



**AURELIAN** Hybrid "Eventide", 148. This variety should be listed with the rest of the Yerex Aurelians on page 5 but space did not permit. Eventide is a vigorous, 4 to 6-foot lily with immense pyramidal heads of semi-recurving flowers about 5 inches in diameter. The color is a lovely cream overlaid with saffron and blending to a deep sunburst-orange in the throat. It's a very lovely new lily of exquisite charm and grace. Like all the Aurelians, it is very sturdy, a good grower and promises to be a grand garden lily when available in quantity. August flowering. Each \$7.75

### Protect Your Lilies with Wire Baskets

During the past three years our customers have learned that planting their precious lily bulbs in wire baskets pays not only in protecting them from such pests as moles, gophers, ground squirrels and their followers, the field mice, but possibly, more important, the baskets prevent hurting the bulbs with the cultivator. The cost of the baskets is far more than offset by the losses they eliminate. The baskets are made of heavily galvanized half-inch poultry mesh, imported from Europe as this wire is not made in this country. We have them made by physically handicapped people.



After many experiments we have found that a basket 8 1/2 inches deep, 6 inches across the top and 4 1/2 inches across the bottom is the most practical size and all are made this size. For extra large super-jumbo bulbs, special baskets have to be made. Roots spread freely through the baskets but burrowing rodents can not get at the bulbs nor is there any danger of injuring them with the hoe. No small percentage of bulb losses result from cutting them during cultivating either before they are up in the spring or after their foliage dies down late in the season. Bulbs may be planted right in the baskets and then be carried out and set in prepared spots. Baskets should be set with the top of the wire just at the surface of the soil. Each 55c, Doz. \$6.25, 100 for \$48.00. All prices postpaid.



# Hardy CLEMATIS

## FLOWER OF RARE AND EXQUISITE BEAUTY

The enthusiastic reception given our offering of these lovely hardy clematis exceeded our wildest expectations. From every state came reports that never had they received such vigorous healthy plants. Many told us of their past difficulties with diseased plants infected with nematodes. Our plants are propagated by an expert and are guaranteed absolutely free of this dread infection. We have shipped to every state in the union and not once have our clematis been rejected by the inspectors. Of this we are very proud. Healthy clematis are very hardy. They withstand below zero with light protection. Their soil requirements are simple and easy to provide. Complete planting directions come with each order. As with lilies, we offer only the best and I'm sure these clematis will measure up to our standards and perform in your garden as you have a right to expect.

### THEY SAY . . . .

Portsmouth, Va.

*"I've had clematis Ramona before, but never such blooms as from your plants. I'd been satisfied with just three or four blooms on first year plants but actually had many Ramona, Henryi and Jack. Ramona blooms created great comment on account of their large size."*

MRS. A. D. O.



◀ CLEMATIS JACKMANI  
with OLYMPIC HYBRID LILIES

▲ CLEMATIS SUSAN P. EMERY

**SUSAN P. EMERY**—77C—You'll love the exquisite perfection of this beauty. The blooms are very large, six to seven inches on established plants azure-blue in color with the delicacy of an orchid. A profuse bloomer, June till frost. Normal height six to seven feet.

**Jackmani**—71C—One of the most popular of all large flowered clematis, velvety violet-purple and a very profuse bloomer. Starts flowering in June and continues through the summer and well into the fall.

**Henryi**—70C—A stunning creamy white, very free blooming with flowers six to eight inches across. Begins flowering in May. Normal height 8 feet.

**Lanuginosa Candida**—72C—A pure white, early flowering species. A strong grower that will climb 12 to 15 feet with support. Highly ornamental foliage. The blooms are fine cut flowers.

**Mme. Edouard Andre**—73C—A bright velvety red with slight purplish cast. A gorgeous color often found in the older oriental rugs. Usual height seven feet. An exceptionally profuse bloomer starting in May.

**Mme. Baron Veillard**—74C—The warm pastel lilac-rose of this French introduction has won great popularity. Its lovely color together with its very profuse blooming continuing until frost makes it one of the best. The flowers of moderate size are produced in fine clusters.

**Nelly Moser**—78C—A gorgeous hybrid of Lanuginosa, the pale mauve and white petals are heavily rayed with brilliant red. A very stunning, unusual flower, free blooming and vigorous.

**Ramona**—76C—A delightfully charming lavender-blue, growing vigorously and blooming especially well during the summer months.

**Single Plants \$2.25 postpaid    Any three plants \$6.25 postpaid**  
**Any five plants, your selection, \$10.00 postpaid**

**Note:** We have prepared an additional list of clematis varieties which we can supply in a limited way. Please send a stamped addressed envelope if you desire a copy.







#### ABOVE . . .

RAINBOW Hybrids, pictured above, are described on page 22. They are a gorgeous lot of upright flowering lilies, ideal for the foreground of the hardy border. Also very good in tubs for the patio. Try eight or a dozen of them in a large redwood tub and I'm sure you will like the picture. They are a real bargain in floral beauty.

## Feed With Ware's Lily Food

Lily lovers have long been wanting a practical and safe source of food elements for their beloved bulbs. They have been warned not to use this or that but until now, no food especially for lilies has been available.

With cooperation of U.S.D.A. Extension experts and pathologists, a truly comprehensive lily feeding program has been worked out. It is believed it will fill your long felt want. This food is planned to supply the nourishment frequently lacking in many garden soils. It may be used with a minimum of effort and without danger of over-stimulation.

Ware's Lily Food, concentrated and completely soluble in water, is applied as a dilute liquid in repeated doses. A couple of pounds will take care of a hundred lilies for a season or more. Complete directions for the feeding program are in each package.

This feeding program can be started either at planting time or during the growing season. Ware's Lily Food is put up in two and five pound packages. Directions are supplied for using small or large quantities with practical household measurements, teaspoonfuls, or cup, being used. Shipped POSTPAID.

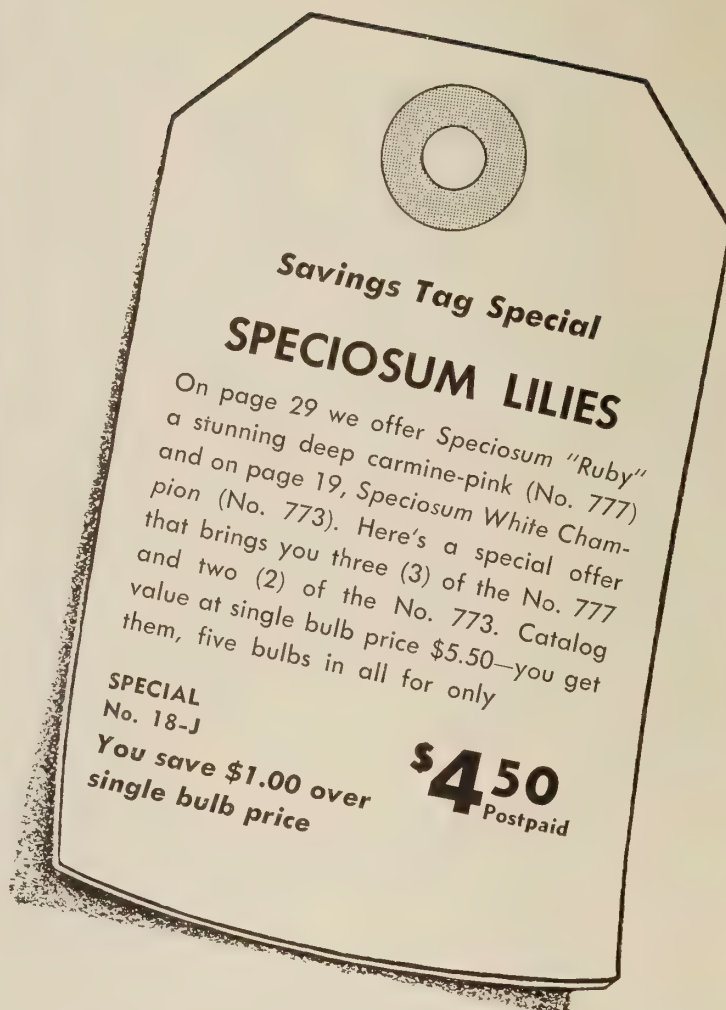
Two lb. Trial Package, POSTAID	<b>\$2<sup>00</sup></b>	Five lb. Economy Package, POSTPAID	<b>\$4<sup>50</sup></b>
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#### THEY SAY . . . .

Dallas, Texas.

*"Never have we had so much lily bloom as from your bulbs bought the last three years. They were simply beautiful, just breathtaking, as high as forty blossoms per plant. And I truly believe your Lily Food was very much responsible. I fed them regularly last summer, following your instructions to the letter and then added the bone-meal in the fall."*

Mrs. A. B.



#### Foresightedness

In having a supply of Micronized Copper spray on hand **BEFORE** needed may save disappointment. See page 31.

**ROEZLII Hybrids**—707—Seedlings of the rare species Roezlii, native of southern Oregon's Siskiyou mountains. A pendulous, martagon type bloom, yellow with a few maroon dots. Give it a shady spot, humus soil. July. PD 5 in. 3 for \$4.75, each \$1.75

**ROEZLII Hybrid, red form**—708—Same price as No. 707.

**SCOTTIAE HYBRIDS**—761—These are an attractive group of hybrids produced in Canada some years ago. Recurved blooms freely produced on sturdy stems in shades of orange and red. Easy culture, hardy and vigorous. Full sun. Ht. 2 to 4 ft. PD 4 in. June-July. 3 for \$1.85, each 75c, Doz. \$7.35

**SUPERBUM**—796—Among native American lilies this is one of the best. It might well be considered among the finest of our native flowers. The bright orange blooms suffused yellow with red tips and maroon spots are spectacular, true Turk's Cap form. Sturdy stems 5 to 9 feet tall carry up to 40 large nodding blooms. Superbum prefers a moist soil, plenty of humus and partial shade. July-August. PD 5 in. 3 for \$2.50, each 95c, Doz. \$9.85

**TENUIFOLIUM**—830—The gayest of the "little lilies", bringing into our gardens joy and gladness in late May and early June. The slender wiry stems have an air of delicacy and refinement, holding aloft their many dainty Turk's Cap blooms of bright scarlet. Commonly referred to as the "Coral Lily". The tiny bulbs are easy to grow, producing plants out of all proportion to their size. Prefers full sun and seldom succeeds even in partial shade. Likes a well drained soil. Ht. 1 1/2 to 2 ft. PD 3 inches.

Flowering . . . . . 3 for \$1.00, each 40c, Doz. \$3.95, 25 for \$ 6.95

**TENUIFOLIUM Golden Gleam**—834—Culture and growing habits just as No. 830 but this lily has delightful golden apricot-yellow blooms, freely produced. Some consider it a hybrid with Martagon but all in all it is a good lily, a distinct addition to our gardens. Very hardy and of easy culture.

Flowering . . . . . 3 for \$1.25, each 50c, Doz. \$4.35, 25 for \$8.50





LILIAM SPECIOSUM

**SARGENTIAE Hybrids**-757-These are seedlings of the species Sargentiae so there is some variation in them. We know of no stock of the true species which is free from disease and therefore do not offer it. These seedlings are a magnificent group, flowering late July into August. They have large trumpets, reddish-brown outside, creamy-white inside with a golden throat. Ht. 4 to 5 ft. PD 6 in.

3 for \$3.65, each \$1.35, Doz. \$14.50

**SULPHUR Hybrids**-793-This is a grand strain of pale yellow to sulphur-yellow trumpet lilies, which, flowering in July are most welcome. They are selections from a cross of Crows Hybrids with the very beautiful Sulphreum, vigorous, healthy, asking no pampering. You'll find them most worth while. Ht. 5 to 6 ft. PD 6 in.

3 for \$8.70, each \$3.15

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**LILIES FOR AMERICAN GARDENS** by George Slate. The most complete and up-to-date book on lilies published in America. A book for the amateur written for American Conditions. 250 pages, illustrated. Postpaid \$5.00

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**THE NEW BOOK OF LILIES** by Jan DeGraaff. The most recent and one of the best books about lilies to be published. It's overflowing with practical information, lily lists and data the home gardener will find very useful. Propagation, hybridizing, growing in the greenhouse, exhibiting lilies and many other phases of lily culture are delightfully presented.

Prepaid \$3.50

### *Species New and Rare*

See Page 14

Species from the far corners of the world, Burma, China, Japan, as well as our own state of California and other places. If you are a collector of rare plants, you'll find these offerings well worth study. All are grown in Oregon and acclimated.

**SPECIOSUM "Red Champion"**-781-The so-called "Showy Lily of Japan" but now grown in Oregon in the foothills of our snow covered Mt. Hood. You will love its frilly blooms. Give it a well drained spot with light shade during the heat of mid-day and be sure the soil is fairly fertile. If yours is not naturally rich, use our scientifically designed Lily Feeding program, outlined on page 18. Red Champion is a brilliant carmine-red with white margins. Plant in the fall, covering with 6 inches of soil. Ht. 3 to 4 ft. August to September.

3 for \$2.75, each \$1.00, Doz. \$10.90

**SPECIOSUM "White Champion"**-773-Here's a sparkling white lily you will like. The white form of Speciosum is not well known. Comparatively few have ever seen it but without question, it is one of the loveliest of all lilies. You will like its sparkling, jewel-like luster. A clump of three bulbs of this beauty, planted in light shade, will be one of the big highlights of the garden season. This fine lily, like the Red Champion above, is grown right here in Oregon and you will find the bulbs top quality. White Champion flowers later than the red form and you will like it all the more for this. The culture is the same for all the Speciosums.

3 for \$3.30, each \$1.25, Doz. \$13.10

**Seven more of the World's Finest Speciosums are offered on page 29**

## TWO NEW LILIES---'55 Introductions

**TIGRINUM Diploid Form**-807-For years customers have been asking for the old fashioned Tiger lilies and we have been unable to supply them as all available bulbs were diseased. Now we have them in virus free, seed grown bulbs. Not only are they welcome for old times sake and their brilliant color but they are invaluable for hybridizing. Many of our finest new hybrids contain Tiger blood. Salmon-orange, full sun. Ht. 4 to 6 ft. August. PD 5 in.

3 for \$2.50, each 90c, Doz. \$9.25

**HUMBOLDTII Hybrids**-397-This is an entirely new strain with much promise, the first time we have offered it. The species, Humboldtii Magnificum, offered on page 14 is a striking lily but like most specie forms, is not too adaptable to average conditions. In these hybrids we have a very strong, vigorous form, golden-orange, dotted maroon with the tips of the petals flame colored. Immense flower heads on established plants are produced in profusion, 50 to 75 per stem. Ht. 5 to 6 ft. July. PD 6 in. Supply limited.

3 for \$25.00, each \$9.00

## THEY SAY...

*Springfield, Ill.*  
"The bulbs came in splendid condition and I planted them all as directed in your 'Success with Lilies'. We had some wonderful blooms and I took first prize with Golden Chalice at our Flower Show. I'm sending you another order, much larger this time and I want another copy of your 'Success with Lilies' for a friend."

Mrs. E. H.

## Announcing!

### A NEW BOOK

Thousands of green-thumb gardeners are experimenting with Colchicine, the MIRACLE DRUG, and we are happy to announce the coming publication of a new and very practical how-to-do-it book, written just for the home gardener, will be off the press this fall. It is by James P. Haworth, the author of that fascinating volume "Plant Magic," about plant mutations and work with Colchicine.

We sold every available copy of "Plant Magic," completely exhausting the publisher's supply. This new book brings you up to date on this wonderful drug which has produced so many new and unusual plants. It tells in great detail just how to go about experimenting. It is illustrated with numerous sketches and photographs. Mr. Haworth has been working with Colchicine for two decades and you will find this, his second book on the subject, a most fascinating guide for practical experimenting.

This new book on Colchicine in the home garden by Haworth, will be published this fall. Order your copy now—postpaid \$1.50





## Aztec Lily

**TIGER FLOWER (Tigridia)**—1558—If you've overlooked these brilliant summer flowering bulbs, you have missed something important. Aptly called "captive spirits of the Aztec Sun Dancers", they make gorgeous splashes of delightful color from midsummer until frost. They are natives of Mexico where they call them Tiger Flowers. But whatever the name, they are indispensable for summer color.

Plant in the spring after the soil warms up and take them up in the fall as they will not withstand freezing. Store over winter where mice cannot get them. Note also, after digging in the fall, **DO NOT** pull the bulbs apart until time to plant in the spring.

SPRING Delivery ONLY—A mixture of all colors, No. 1558—6 for \$1.00, Doz. \$1.95, 25 for \$3.75

NO ORDER FOR LESS THAN SIX BULBS

## A Stunning Giant for Any Garden

### Sunset Lily

**PARDALINUM Giganteum**—596—This gorgeous giant of a lily has been sold under such names as Western Giant, Red Giant, Western Sunset, Chinook Lily and Sunset Lily. We have always used the latter but under any name it is a most desirable acquisition to the garden. No one knows for sure what was its origin but it is thought to be a natural cross of Pardalinum and Humboldtii. Plant it in full sun if possible though in slight shade it does very well. The plants grow 5 to 8 feet tall, each stem bearing up to 30 or even more, crimson and golden-yellow blooms profusely spotted with purple-black. The sturdy stems require no staking. All in all it is a most satisfactory lily, perfectly hardy, not particular as to soil and once established makes sizable clumps and a glorious show year after year. Always plant in groups of three or more about fifteen inches apart. July blooming. Planting depth 5 inches.

	3	1	12	25
Flowering .....	\$1.60	\$ .60	\$ 5.00	\$10.00
Large .....	2.35	.90	9.25	18.50
Jumbos .....	2.95	1.05	11.75	23.25



### DON'T

Please **DON'T** overlook the **LILY FOOD** offered on page 18. Unless your soil is exceptionally good, this lily food, especially made, can mean the difference between success and failure. Customers tell us of unusual success by following our feeding program.



SUNSET LILY



# Golden Harvest Hybrids

Produced by  
EDGAR L. KLINE

We introduced this strain in '54 and it is easily one of the most important of the new lilies. The picture on the cover of this catalog and on this page does not do them justice as the printer made it too orange. The strain contains NO ORANGE lilies but is made up of creamy whites, with delightfully colored throats, buffs, pale and bright yellows and a wide variety of shades and tones in between. If you could see the field of them in bloom, you would pronounce them outstanding.

And not only are their colors most pleasing but they have a degree of vigor and vitality almost unbelievable. They produce enormous flower heads on heavy five to seven foot stems without any pamer-ing. Truly, they are "lilies of the future", lilies for every man's garden.

These Golden Harvest Hybrids are the results of nearly two decades of hybridizing using the famous Sulphureum and Henryi. This is a cross similar to the very fine Havemeyer strain. Through the years it has been crossed and re-crossed, selected and back crossed, using only the outstanding specimens as seed parents. Today they stand close to the top among the newer hybrids.

To enjoy their delightful colors to the utmost, plant in light shade. They grow well in average soils but reward you handsomely for careful preparation. As a cut flower, I've kept them eight days on my desk, a joy to behold.



## Golden Harvest Special Selects

**GOLDEN HARVEST Special Selects-368**—In every lot of seedlings, there are always a few especially outstanding. This exceptional lot have been taken out, propagated by scales, and we offer them as Special Selects. Golden Harvest Hybrids are among the finest new strains and these are super-fine selections, truly an extraordinary lot. They are super in size, form and substance; they hold their blooms effectively; in fact, they are super-fine in every respect. Color range is from ivory-white with highly colored throats, down through cream, buff, to many shades of yellow and apricot. There are no oranges. If you want the very best of the Golden Harvests, these No. 368 are it.

3 for \$22.75, each \$7.95



## Golden Harvest Hybrids

Please don't be misled by this picture. The actual blooms are clear vivid colors as described on this page and there are no oranges in the group. The smaller picture at the right fails also to adequately portray their delightful colors.

**GOLDEN HARVEST Hybrids, Mixed-367**—We offer them in two sizes. They flower from mid-August into September when fine lilies are at a premium in the garden. This late flowering makes them doubly welcome. Give them plenty of room, planting about fifteen inches apart. Planting depth (PD) 6 inches.

Flowering size ..... 3 for \$6.50, each \$2.35, Doz. \$25.75  
Extra large ..... 3 for \$9.65, each \$3.50, Doz. \$38.45

**GOLDEN HARVEST, Select Color Strains-367C**—Mr. Kline has segregated some of the best of the strain in separate color groups so you may buy them in Yellow, Light Buff, Dark Buff, Cream, Gold, Green-white and Bi-colors. These are not clonal propagation but are his selections by color. In ordering please state which of the above colors you desire.

3 for \$9.50, each \$3.45, Doz. \$38.00



# Hybrids by Jan de Graaff

**FIREFLAME-889**—A fine dwarf lily with outward-facing flowers, ideal for the foreground of the hardy border. The color is a rich mahogany-red with a few black or deep maroon spots. It is a large lily with petals of a heavy texture and flowers over quite a long period in August. You will find it a distinct addition to your mid-summer garden. Good lilies in such a gorgeous dark color are seldom to be had. Happy in either sun or part shade. PD 5 in.

3 for \$2.50, each 90c, Doz. \$9.25

**TANGELO-902**—A vivid orange lily that has proven very good and is fast becoming popular. It's star-shaped, outward facing and spectacularly spotted. Its vigorous strong stems carry 15 or more large flowers; height 2½ to 3 feet. June into July. A very colorful lily for the early summer border. 3 for \$1.65, each 65c, Doz. \$6.35

**MID-CENTURY Hybrids Mixed-557**—Here's a group that have about everything. They are very hardy, establish themselves readily, multiply rapidly, they withstand almost any kind of summer weather and flower with an almost unbelievable freedom. Both upright and out-facing forms are found in this group as well as intermediates. Heights vary from 1½ to 4 feet. They flower from mid-June to mid-July. We offer these as a mixture only. Plant them in groups of three to a dozen or more. Both for garden color and cutting they are tops.

3 for \$1.10, each 45c, Doz. \$4.10, 25 for \$7.95

**VALENCIA-893**—A soft orange to rich yellow that makes a sparkling, brilliant color display in the late June, early July border. The out-facing blooms are lightly spotted with maroon. Valencia combines well with the famous Olympic Hybrids and make a garden group of great charm. To finish the picture, mass in the foreground a large group of the famous Jersey Gem violas and you will have a spot that will be the envy of all the neighbors. Like all the rest of this group of hybrids, Valencia is an "easy" lily under almost any conditions. It's healthy, very free flowering, vigorous and seemingly long lived. The blooms are only slightly recurved, almost flat opening and large in size. PD 5 in. Ht. 2½ to 4 ft.

3 for \$1.65, each 65c, Doz. \$6.35

VALENCIA



**JOAN EVANS-897**—A brilliant golden-yellow, upright bloom, produced six to nine on thin wiry stems. A grand flower for cutting or show, it is especially fine in the mid-summer hardy border. Ht. 4 to 5 ft. Mid-July. PD 4 in.

3 for \$1.65, each 65c, Doz. \$6.35

**HARMONY-903**—Wide-petaled, upright flowering in shades of rich and brilliant orange. Among the experts it is considered an outstanding lily. Long pedicels and large flowers make it fine for cutting and large flower arrangements. Ht. 2½ to 3½ ft. July. PD 4 in.

3 for \$1.65, each 65c, Doz. \$6.35



FIESTA HYBRIDS

**FIESTA Hybrids-245**—This grand strain of hybrids is one of the gayest additions to the new hardy lilies. They are mostly reflexed lilies but offer many pleasing variations in form. Colors range from bright yellows through orange to very dark rich red. Many blooms face outward and upward, some recurve only slightly. All are excellent garden flowers, grown with ease under ordinary conditions and enjoy robust health and unimagined vigor. Ht. 3 to 5 ft. PD 5 in. July flowering.

3 for \$1.10, each 45c, Doz. \$4.10, 25 for \$7.95

**RAINBOW Hybrids-673**—These differ greatly from the above as they are all upright lilies, cup-like flowers that, like tulips, stand straight up. Colors range from true golden-yellow, through all shades of orange to the deepest mahogany-red. Heights vary from 1½ to 4 feet. A gorgeous lot sold only as a mixture and a real bargain at the price. June-July. PD 4 in.

3 for \$1.10, each 45c, Doz. \$4.10, 25 for \$7.95

## Out of the West--

There is not room in this modest catalog to print the many hundreds of letters we get telling of the gorgeous blooms and garden effects produced by our bulbs. From every corner of America and many foreign lands they come and regardless of the wide variation in climate, Oregon grown bulbs seem to thrive and satisfy. Grown for you in the fertile valleys and foothills of the Cascades, fresh dug at the peak of their maturity, packed carefully and rushed to you without delay, it's no wonder you write that you "never saw such wonderful bulbs". Our bulbs are not dried out from laying on a store counter, they have not been pawed over by customers seeking bargains, they have been dug because you ordered them and are shipped to you with the least possible delay. Truly there's a reason for the difference you see in fresh dug bulbs!





LILIUM T. A. HAVEMEYER (TRUE)—IVORY-YELLOW, SUFFUSED APRICOT

*"Till now one dreamed not what could be done  
with a bit of earth and a ray of sun."*  
—Lowell.

## The Sensational T. A. Havemeyer

**T. A. HAVEMEYER**—800—This unusual hybrid is one of the sensations of the lily world. It resulted from crossing L. Henryi and Sulphureum. The experts consider its exquisite beauty to be in a class with Auratum. As a cut flower it is superb and long lasting.

Blooms of T. A. Havemeyer have been exhibited seven inches in diameter without spreading the petals and they have been grown in the open field eleven feet tall. But size and height are secondary to its unusual and exquisite color. It is a warm ivory-yellow, suffused with apricot. The outside of each petal has a band of vivid green. Words can not adequately portray the perfection of its beauty, it is simply indescribable. Vigorous, free flowering, healthy and disease resistant, this lily seems to have everything. No wonder the experts say it is sensational!

The usual height is seven to eight feet. Flowering from mid-August into September it is doubly welcome as few other lilies are then in bloom. It is tolerant to ordinary soil, full sun or partial shade. This lily, of course, responds to good treatment and will reward your care richly. It is a lily for every garden and as it becomes more plentiful will be planted far and wide. PD 6 in. Supply limited. 3 for \$15.95, each \$5.50

**UMBELLATUM Orange Triumph**—862—We have been sold out of this for several years but have again built up the stock. As the name indicates it is brilliant orange, a big, vigorous, showy lily for the border, that looks right up at you. It will make a vivid spot of color wherever planted. Ht. 2 to 3 ft. PD 4 in.

3 for \$2.90, each \$1.00, Doz. \$11.50

**UMBELLATUM Incomparable**—864—Here's a rich crimson, the best of the medium reds and one of the most satisfactory of the strain. Like the rest it is of the easiest culture and thrives in average garden soil in a sunny location. Truly they make a luminous mass of color in the early garden. They are equally good in the garden or as pot plants. This one is inexpensive and you can afford to plant it freely. 2 to 3 ft. PD 5 in.

3 for \$1.25, each 50c, Doz. \$4.95

**RUBELLUM**—712—This delightfully fragrant, rose-pink lily, loved by all, opens in late May or early June, often the first lily to flower. In years past it was considered difficult but this was probably due to bulbs being imported and held in storage until spring. Now with Oregon grown, acclimated bulbs, most any first class gardener may enjoy its lovely color and charming grace. Given half shade, a moist but perfectly drained soil with plenty of humus, it has proven long lived. Ht. 1 1/2 to 2 ft. PD 4 in.

3 for \$5.30, each \$1.95, Doz. \$20.95

RUBELLUM—PINK



## Hybrids of T. A. Havemeyer

New seedlings by Mr. E. L. Kline, crosses of Havemeyer with Sulphureum and Henryi. These are an extra fine group of unusual vigor and quality. Exquisitely beautiful. August-September. Height 5 to 6 feet. PD 6 inches.

**EDMUND L. KAGY**—818—A stunning erect six foot beauty, persimmon-orange, lightly flecked oxblood-red. An 8 inch bloom, recurved tips. An exquisite lily, very erect.

**PAULINA KLINE**—810—A stunning majolica-yellow shading to saffron, flecked at base of petals with oxblood-red—back of petals lettuce-green. Flowers 5 1/2 inches (expanded 8 inches).

**WILLIAM BATES**—814—Light tangerine-orange shading to ivory. Flower 5 inches, fully opened, slightly recurved. The color tones of this lily are superb.

**IDA JANE CALIF**—820—This is somewhat different from the rest, a dainty medium size bloom only three feet tall. Majolica-yellow with border spotted red half way to the tips. Recurved.

**Any of the above 4 named selections \$6.95 each.**

**VIKING**—871—A brilliantly colored new hybrid, a nodding Turk's Cap lily, sort of orange-red, rather difficult to describe. July blooming on strong 6 foot stems with up to 36 flowers per stalk. Lower pedicels carry secondary buds, thus increasing the flower display. PD 5 in. 3 for \$4.05, each \$1.50

**VALIANT**—873—One of the most brilliant red lilies ever offered, a red without any orange cast to it, enhanced by a few black spots and, it does not fade. A vigorous, healthy, free flowering lily, large to very large, slightly recurved with the blooms ideally held about three-quarters upright. Flowers for about three weeks in July. In the field, this red lily stands out as the most brilliant of all. Flowering . . . . . 3 for \$ 6.95, each \$2.50, Doz. \$27.75

## THEY SAY . . .

Dallas, Texas  
*"Certainly you may quote me in your catalog. The lilies were beautiful to behold, simply breathtaking. Such fine flowers and so many on each plant. They have bloomed profusely for the past three years, as high as forty blossoms per plant."*

Mrs. A. B.





# Hardy Cyclamen

## Rare and Beautiful

Give your shady garden a real lift with these truly unusual Hardy Cyclamen. Really, they are not only very beautiful but extremely rare as well. Given the right soil, which is very simple, they will thrive and grow for many years. We know of plants fifty years old. Each year the corms get larger and produce more flowers. Corms a foot in diameter with literally hundreds of delicate blossoms for weeks on end are not uncommon. We can ship these hardy corms most any time of the year the ground is open. They are bothered by almost no pests or diseases, practically foolproof. Full planting and cultural directions sent with each order. By planting a few corms of each of the above species, you may have them in flower almost the entire growing year. We advise planting in clumps of three wherever possible for the most delightful effect.

### Spring Flowering

**CYCLAMEN Atkinsi-1176**-(Jan.-Mar.) The earliest of all to bloom. Pink to pale rose flowers on a 4 to 6 inch stems. Leaves appear before and with the flowers and are deep green lightly mottled silver white.

3 for \$3.65, each \$1.35, Doz. \$14.50

**CYCLAMEN Atkinsi Album-1169**-The white form of this important early flowering strain. You'll love it.

3 for \$5.30, each \$1.95, Doz. \$20.95

**CYCLAMEN Atkinsi Roseum-1171**-A lovely rose-pink, darker than No. 1176 but flowering just as early. A true gem where springs start in January. Supply limited.

3 for \$5.30, each \$1.95, Doz. \$20.95

**\*CYCLAMEN Coum-1174**-(Feb.-March) Similar to Atkinsi but with deep crimson-rose blooms on 4 to 6 inch stems, leaves deep green without mottling. Very rare and beautiful.

3 for \$3.65, each \$1.35, Doz. \$14.50

**CYCLAMEN Coum Album-1179**-Same as above except the blooms are white with a red base. Supply is limited as very few are produced.

3 for \$5.30, each \$1.95, Doz. \$20.95

**CYCLAMEN psuedo Ibericum-1180**-March-April. A very rare species with large crimson flowers on 6 inch stems. Leaves come with blooms, green, variegated silver and white.

3 for \$7.95, each \$2.95, Doz. \$30.95

**CYCLAMEN Libanoticum - 1175 -** (Mar. - April) Large blush pink blooms, not as recurved as other species and therefore appearing even larger. 4 to 6 inches tall and slightly fragrant. One of the rarest species in cultivation. Foliage light green mottled silvery white.

3 for \$7.95, each \$2.95

**CYCLAMEN Repandum-1173**-(Apr.-May) Bright crimson flowers on 4 to 6 inch stems. Leaves are pointed with serrated edges, bright green marbled silver white. This is one of the rarer species and very lovely.

3 for \$3.65, each \$1.35, Doz. \$14.50

### Summer Flowering

**\*CYCLAMEN Europaeum-1177**-(July-Sept.) This summer flowering species from central and southern Europe has distinctly fragrant crimson-rose blooms on 5 to 6 inch stems produced over a long period. The bright green foliage, marbled silvery white is almost evergreen.

3 for \$3.65, each \$1.35, Doz. \$14.50

**CYCLAMEN Neapolitanum**-(Aug.-Oct.) This is the best known of the hardy forms and deservedly the most popular. Both pink and white forms are available and it may be had in several sizes. Both white and pink forms flower on 4 to 6 inch stems with large leaved attractive foliage which appears after the blooming starts.

**\*CYCLAMEN Neapolitanum -1170**-Pink.

Fl'g: 3 for \$1.65, each \$ .65, Doz. \$ 6.35

Med.: 3 for \$2.50, each \$ .95, Doz. \$ 9.85

Large: 3 for \$3.65, each \$1.35, Doz. \$14.50

**CYCLAMEN Neapolitanum-1172**-White.

Med.: 3 for \$3.65, each \$1.35, Doz. \$14.50

Large: 3 for \$5.30, each \$1.95, Doz. \$20.95

### Fall Flowering

**CYCLAMEN Cilicicum-1178**-(Sept.-Nov.) Light pink flowers a bit later than Neapolitanum extending the season almost into winter. The leaves are small, very distinct, deep green, beautifully mottled silver on the edges. A native of Sicily.

3 for \$5.30, each \$1.95, Doz. \$20.95

#### CYCLAMEN SPECIAL No. 29-J

**CYCLAMEN Neapolitanum**-Pink in small corms, most of which will flower the first year. Ideal for massing in the shady rock garden or wild garden. Good for grouping at the front edge of the shady border.

Doz. \$2.95, 25 for \$5.75

### Cyclamen Seed

Seed is the only propagation method for these cyclamen. The corms do not multiply. Fresh seed germinates very promptly when sown late in the summer or very early in the fall. **IF REQUESTED**, we will send planting directions with each lot of seed. All our seed is grown by our Mr. Kline and harvested under the most ideal conditions. At present we can offer but six kinds-

Cyclamen

Atkinsi-1176

Coum-1174

Coum Album-1179

Libanoticum-1175

Neapolitanum-1170

Neapolitan Album-1172

All Cyclamen Seed  
\$1.25 per packet

### Special Delivery

Please don't overlook the Special Delivery and the Special Handling suggestion on page 26. We feel it is most important. In the fall when winter is just around the corner a few days saved in the delivery of your bulbs may be very valuable. We think it money well spent.







MR. EDGAR L. KLINE, grower and hybridizer, showing profuse bloom of CYCLAMEN NEAPOLITANUM.



DE GRAAFF HYBRID LILIES

## CYCLAMEN SPECIAL No 79-J

Three corms each of the three Cyclamen varieties (\*), namely, Coum No. 1174 for spring, Europaeum No. 1177 for summer and Neapolitanum No. 1170 for fall. Months of delightfully dainty blooms year after year. You'll love them!

3 each of 3 varieties \$7.45, 5 each of 3 varieties \$13.95

## *The "Naked Lady" Lily Amaryllis Belladonna*

Here's a gem for the garden where the ground does not freeze but a few inches. Here in Oregon we plant them eight to twelve inches below the surface and though we get some freezing, they flower beautifully. In the east, pot them up and keep in the cool greenhouse or treat them as a house plant. They send up leaves in the spring which die down after maturing and the blooms appear in late summer without any foliage. They may be brought along indoors or in the greenhouse and then the container plunged in the border where they will flower.

You'll like them in combination with the lovely Aster Frikarti pictured herewith. The bronze foliage in the background is peony leaves, a delight of the late summer garden. Garden pictures like this don't "just happen", they must be planned. These fascinatingly delightful pink lilies may well become one of the highlights of your summer garden. Truly they are well worth the little extra effort they demand.

This Amaryllis produces large to very large bulbs. We ship them in the fall along with the lilies or in mid-spring. Be sure to tell us when you want them. Pot them up at once or plant outside if your climate permits. Directions come with all bulbs. We strongly urge planting them in clumps of three or more for the best effects.

3 for \$4.75, each \$1.95, 5 for \$7.45, Doz. \$17.95

## THEY SAY . . .

*"I have had very good success with your lily bulbs. I wish you could have seen my Centifoliums (Olympics) last year—twelve and fourteen blooms per stalk and the thermometer a hundred and three. They were simply breath taking. Now they are six inches high and so healthy looking. And still 'they' say, lilies don't do well in this part of Kansas."*

April in Kansas  
MRS. C. L. L.

## *New Hybrid Lilies by De Graaff*

**FIRECROWN-900**—Here's a superbly brilliant new lily, a vivid glowing vermilion that does not burn in our hottest summer days. Its brilliancy makes it one of the brightest color spots of the entire garden, almost as if crowned with fire. A vigorous, rapid propagator, healthy and free flowering. Height three to four feet or more. PD 5 inches. July. 3 for \$25.00, each \$10.00

**CROESUS-229**—This deep golden yellow is dwarf, seldom more than two feet tall. It has a deep golden throat with a very few near-black spots. Here's an ideal lily for planting in tubs or planters. You look right down into its chalice-like blooms. Ideal for the foreground of the hardy border. Unlike most lilies of this type, there is no orange cast to it. All in all it is most worthwhile. July. PD 5 in.

3 for \$8.15, each \$2.95, Doz. \$32.45

**PROSPERITY-901**—You'll like the lovely cool, clear lemon-yellow of this new outward-facing lily. The plants are very vigorous and quickly produce large clumps. Ht. 4 to 5 ft. Free flowering, very hardy and will be among the most popular of the new garden lilies when known. July. PD 5 in. 3 for \$8.15, each \$2.95, Doz. \$32.45

**DESTINY-895**—A superb upright-flowered lily, truly a worthy addition to the famous Mid-Century Hybrids. Destiny has open chalice-shaped flowers of a brilliant canary yellow with just enough large brown spots in the center to make a welcome contrast, to make the harmony perfect. A stem from an established bulb will have up to ten well shaped flowers beautifully carried above lustrous dark green foliage on stems three to four feet tall. July. PD 5 in.

3 for \$8.15, each \$2.95, Doz. \$32.45

**FELICITY-896**—This is probably the best of all the new yellows. Very different from Destiny, this lily faces outward and the blooms are held on sturdy four to five foot stems, up where you can look right at them. Its beautiful clear clean yellow has seldom heretofore been seen in lilies. The blooms, ten to twelve per stem, are beautifully proportioned and well spaced. All in all, these new yellows bid fair to hold the stage for years to come. July flowering. PD 6 in.

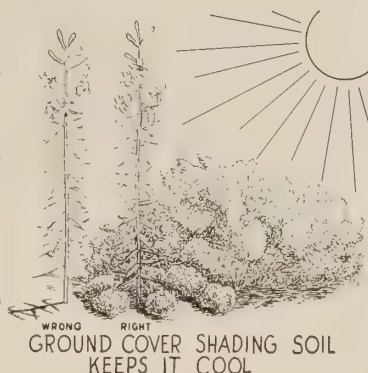
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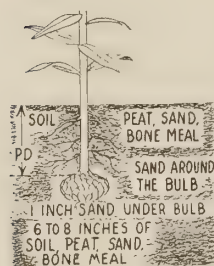
# Planting and Care of Your Fine Lilies

Your success with our fine bulbs will depend upon how well you prepare the ground, upon proper drainage and upon your planting the bulbs PROMPTLY upon their arrival. The best bulbs will not succeed if simply stuck into the ground as you do tulips or glads. Lilies are "different", they demand a bit more preparation but I'm sure you will agree they are well worth it. A few general directions are given below but we urge you to send for a copy of our book "Success with Lilies" offered on page 8. If you will study this little book and plant as directed, your chances of success are much greater. You'll find it a dollar well spent.

Most lilies prefer protection from hot mid-day and afternoon sun, that is, partial shade. This is very important in warm sections where the sun is really hot. Neither the partial shade nor the soil conditioning is at all difficult but if neglected, your chances of success are less. Companion planting is one of the best methods of solving this problem. The sketch gives you some idea of how this may be done. Shade from surrounding plants helps to keep the soil cool and checks surface loss of moisture. Companion plants also protect early starting lilies from frost injury.



Good drainage is vital as lilies will not tolerate wet, soggy soil. Ample peat in the soil, not only aids drainage but at the same time holds a portion of the moisture vital to all lilies. Peat also aerates the soil encouraging root growth and bacterial action so helpful to plant growth.



Over stimulation produces sick lilies.

In planting lilies dig a hole 15 to 18 inches deep. Be sure drainage is good. Mix the bone meal into the soil below the depth at which the bulb is to be planted, pack this soil well. Add an inch layer of sharp sand for the bulb to rest upon. Cover the bulb with soil and sand containing no fertilizer, pack around bulb firmly, then fill balance of hole with a mixture of soil, peat moss and sand to which a portion of bone meal has been added. Pack firmly.

Every bulb we send out is carefully labeled with variety name, exposure most suitable (full sun or partial shade) and the proper depth to plant (PD). Catalog descriptions also give this information as well as heights and flowering season. This data should aid you in properly locating and planting your lilies.

**Preparing to Plant** Your soil should be prepared BEFORE the bulbs come to save time and permit planting as soon as they arrive. If you follow the directions on this page in preparing the soil, it will take but a few moments to plant. Well prepared soil can be worked even if it is wet. Ample peat and sand in the soil prevent it becoming water logged.

**Shipping Season** Some of the early maturing lilies such as Candidum, Hansoni and a few others are shipped in late August and early September but the great majority of lilies mature later and are shipped in October with the Auratums delivered in November. We ship as they mature and most orders are sent in two or more lots. This is far more costly than sending all in one package but we know it gets the bulbs to you in better condition and most of them can be planted sooner.

**Early Winter** If winter comes early in your section, prepare the ground early, mulch very deep to prevent it freezing and you can plant the late arrivals O.K. When they arrive, the mulch can be removed and the bulbs planted. If they freeze up solid right after planting no harm results.

## SPECIAL HANDLING

If you live on a rural route or in towns without carrier service where you have to get your mail at the post office, **SPECIAL HANDLING** will speed it to your town just as quick as **SPECIAL DELIVERY**, and at a lower cost.

In response to your many letters we will continue this service. We pay the regular postage but not the **SPECIAL Delivery** or **Special Handling** fees. We believe you will find the worth of this service far greater than its small cost.

**SPECIAL DELIVERY** is urgently suggested if you live in a city or town with carrier service. The extra fees run from 35c to 60c according to weight. To simplify it, we suggest you add 45c to your remittance as most parcels take this.

**SPECIAL HANDLING** is suggested as more than worth while if you live on a rural route or where **Special Delivery** is not available. The cost is small and the benefits very large. Fees for **Special Handling** run from 15c to 25c. We suggest you add 20c to your remittance as most parcels require this amount.

Please keep in mind that lily bulbs are not like tulips or glads. They are not dry corms but live plants and should be out of the ground as short a time as possible.

## SPECIAL DELIVERY

If you live in a city or town with carrier delivery, **SPECIAL DELIVERY** not only rushes the package to your city in record time BUT delivers it AT ONCE, even on Holidays, Sundays or Saturday afternoon.

Last fall, the sixth that we have urged the sending of your orders **SPECIAL DELIVERY**, we were even more convinced that for orders going east of the Rockies, **SPECIAL DELIVERY** is by far the most satisfactory system. Last year thousands sent extra money to pay for **SPECIAL DELIVERY** and literally hundreds have written of the speedy delivery and thanked us for the suggestion.

Repeated experiments have proven **SPECIAL DELIVERY** packages arrive as quickly as firstclass mail, usually the third day to the middle west, four or five days to the east coast. That's almost as quick as to points in Oregon. Scores write us their bulbs came so quickly they looked as if just dug in their own garden. In the fall when every one wants their order as quick as possible, we try to rush them. But with many, many thousands of orders to go, in spite of our best efforts, to dig, grade, pack and ship takes a lot of time and a few days saved on the way will help you plant sooner.

## THEY SAY . . . .

New York City

"Your splendid bulbs arrived Monday, Dec. 7th. It's amazing, the difference **SPECIAL DELIVERY** makes. My order was mailed Monday, Nov. 30th. You could not have gotten it before Wednesday. Yet, here is the order all the way across the continent and at my door early Monday morning."

Mrs. D. M.







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# Lilium Speciosum

For all around satisfaction, these lilies would probably top any list. Not only exquisitely beautiful, they thrive in the average garden without special effort. In soil well prepared and containing ample humus, they are long lived, growing vigorously for many years. Speciosums do not like a hot dry soil. In a cool moist soil (perfectly possible with good drainage, humus and a ground cover planting), they will reward you handsomely. Partial shade from hot sun prolongs their flowering period. Speciosums are easily the highlight of the late summer garden. PD 6 inches.

**SPECIOSUM Punctatum**—778—This is an early flowering form of this species, blooming about two weeks ahead of the rest and most welcome because it extends the season of these popular lilies just when we need them to round out the garden scene. Like the rest it is a vigorous lily with sturdy three to five foot stalks carrying, when established, up to 20 frilly, recurved, pendant blooms. Partial shade is to its liking as the color is a delicate carmine, lovely and very distinctive. Seldom do we have enough of this early variety so prompt ordering is suggested.

3 for \$5.30, each \$1.95, Doz. \$20.95

**SPECIOSUM Oregon Giant**—782—Not available until 1956.

**SPECIOSUM Ruby**—777—This new variety is very similar to our famous "Oregon Giant", just slightly darker in color but equally vigorous and free flowering. I've been watching this variety for several years and think you will find it much to your likes. All the speciosums are good but these Oregon grown strains are simply superb. They seem to have a strength and vitality far greater than the older imported bulbs. "Ruby" is a specially grown Oregon strain and I'm sure you will like its dark carmine-pink brilliance.

Flowering ..... 3 for \$2.75, each \$1.00, Doz. \$10.90

Large ..... 3 for \$4.05, each \$1.50, Doz. \$16.40

SPECIOSUM FOR JULY-AUGUST COLOR



SPECIOSUM

**SPECIOSUM "Little Star"**—786—Here's a true gem, a new beauty. It's a bit smaller flower than other speciosums, also not quite as tall. And the petals do not recurve as much, making it indeed a beautiful star shaped flower, not only delightful in the garden but excellent for corsages and flower arrangements. The bulbs propagate rapidly by division and also by stem bulblets. The color is quite similar to Magnificum, truly an exquisite flower which will be very popular as soon as known. 3 for \$6.25, each \$2.25, Doz. \$24.90

**SPECIOSUM Magnificum**—779—This and Melpomene are the most brilliantly colored of the species. Magnificum is heavily toned with deep ruby-carmine and spotted crimson, the darkest colored of all. For border display, three or six of them make a truly spectacular show. This and the other Speciosums all show off better against a dark green background. August into September.

Flowering ..... 3 for \$3.30, each \$1.25, Doz. \$13.10

Large ..... 3 for \$4.75, each \$1.75, Doz. \$18.85

Jumbo ..... 3 for \$5.65, each \$2.10, Doz. \$22.45

**SPECIOSUM Kratzeri**—775—An extra choice variety, white with a pale green stripe in the center of each petal, brown anthers and the exterior tinged green. Truly it's a delightful lily. The frilly, recurved and pendant blooms are like sparkling crystal. Sturdy stems, 3 to 4 feet, carry up to twenty blooms when well established. Give each bulb plenty of room when planting as they make large clumps, sometimes four feet in diameter. Fill in among them with companion plants until they begin to make large clumps. The white forms especially, should have a green background to appear at their best. August-September flowering.

Flowering ..... 3 for \$4.45, each \$1.65, Doz. \$17.70

Large ..... 3 for \$5.65, each \$2.10, Doz. \$22.45

**SPECIOSUM Album-Novum**—774—This scarce and very rare lily is an exceptionally beautiful form of this species, pure white with yellow anthers and broad massive petals of great substance not as recurved as most speciosums. Too, it is a week to two weeks later in flowering than the rest, making it especially welcome to extend the season of these choice lilies. Height, culture and planting depth are the same as the rest. Anyone who loves truly fine lilies will consider this a must. 3 for \$9.75, each \$3.50, Doz. \$38.50

**SPECIOSUM Seedlings "Select"**—780—Here's a group of Kline's seedlings, the results of many years of crossing and re-crossing with various strains. In the fields they have proven very healthy and vigorous with clear vivid colors and strikingly large blooms. As we all know, seedling grown stock is usually superior and here is your opportunity to plant seedling speciosums at a reasonable price. Colors range from the carmine pink of Oregon Giant to shade that are both lighter and deeper. They are sold in mixture only and I know you will find them truly good. I recommend them very highly. Ht. 3 to 5 ft. PD 6 in. 3 for \$3.50, each \$1.35, Doz. \$13.85



# You can grow Lilies from Seed

Growing Lilies from seed may well be the gardeners most thrilling adventure. That these tiny wafer-like seed can produce such breath-taking flowers is a never ending marvel. Seedling Lilies are disease free and unless infected from other Lilies, remain so. Many varieties are available and for a small outlay you can produce many fine bulbs. There is no fortune in Lily growing but there is a wealth of interesting adventure and pleasure far exceeding your fondest expectations.

We have divided the list into two groups, the easy and quick, and the slow and sometimes difficult. Both contain many fine varieties and the slower ones are well worth waiting for. From these seed you might produce the world's most beautiful Lily—who knows?

**SEED PRICE:** All seed is \$1.00 per packet. The amount of seed in each packet varies with rarity of the variety but is ample in most cases. Seed is sold at retail only. All seed sent postpaid—no C.O.D.

Slow germinating varieties are marked with an asterisk (\*). These usually germinate in six to sixteen months. The easy or quick varieties, not marked with an asterisk, usually appear in three to eight weeks. As this is written we are practically sold out on all seed so all orders will be filled late in the fall from fresh crop seed.

Our complete offering of lily seed varieties is listed on this page, subject, of course, to the crop. **We will not send out another seed list in the fall as in previous years.**

**SEED CULTURE LEAFLET—IF REQUESTED,** we will send with any seed order of \$3.00 or more, a copy of our cultural leaflet. On smaller orders, please send 15c for a copy. This leaflet is complete and well illustrated, a valuable guide to anyone who wants to succeed in this fascinating field.

**NOTE:** The greater part of our seed is hand pollinated to insure the highest percentage of viability.  
Amabile luteum No. 126

## Complete List for '55-'56

- \*Auratum (Type) No. 130
- \*Auratum Extra Hardy No. 132
- \*Auratum Late No. 131
- \*Auratum Platyphyllum No. 139
- \*Auratum Platyphyllum  
Selected Red Forms No. 139-R
- \*Auratum Praecox  
Selected Early Forms No. 137
- \*Auratum Tri-color No. 133
- \*Auratum Hybrid  
Auratum x Jillian Wallace No. 134
- Aurelian Hybrids No. 150-H
- \*Backhouse Hybrids No. 171
- \*Bellingham Hybrids No. 177
- \*Bellingham Hybrids Select No. 178
- \*Canadense Flavum No. 191
- Candidum No. 195
- Centifolium Hybrids No. 212
- Chehlam Hybrids No. 216
- \*Columbianum No. 220
- \*Cordatum—New Form No. 224
- Dauricum Wilsonii Late Form No. 271
- Formolongi (Formosanum x  
Longiflorum No. 432
- \*Giganteum Himalaicum No. 350
- \*Grayi No. 360
- Grenadier Hybrids No. 365
- Golden Harvest Hybrids No. 367
- Henryi No. 386
- \*Humboldtii Magnificum No. 398
- \*Japonicum No. 400

- \*Japonicum Platyfolium No. 401
- Longiflorum White Queen No. 433
- \*Marhan Hybrids No. 493
- \*Martagon Album No. 510
- Maximowiczii Wadai No. 530
- Maxwill No. 540
- \*Medeoloides No. 545
- Neilgherrense No. 568
- Nepalense No. 570
- Grand Canyon Hybrids No. 362
- \*Pardalinum No. 590
- \*Pardalinum Giganteum No. 596
- \*Parryi No. 600
- Preston's Hybrids No. 624
- Princeps Creelman Hybrids No. 634
- Regale No. 680
- Regal Album No. 681
- \*Roetzlii (yellow) No. 707
- \*Roetzlii (crimson) No. 708
- \*Rubellum No. 712
- Sargentiae Hybrids No. 757
- \*Speciosum Album Novum x  
Kraetzeri No. 775-XA
- \*Speciosum Magnificum No. 779-H
- \*Speciosum Punctatum No. 778
- \*Speciosum Selected Forms No. 780-H
- Sulphur Hybrids Select No. 793
- \*Superbum No. 796
- \*Szovitsianum No. 810
- Tenuifolium No. 830
- Tenuifolium Golden Gleam No. 834
- Umbellatum Mixed No. 859
- Viking No. 871
- Willmottiae Unicolor No. 876

Slow germinating kinds marked with \*

## THREE-WAY GUARANTEE

This lily business has been built to its present stature by repeat orders from satisfied customers. Many have been buying from us over two decades. Too, they have told their friends about our lilies and we most sincerely thank them. We offer the world's finest lily bulbs and it is our endeavor to have them reach you in perfect condition. In fact we make that as a guarantee, a **THREE-WAY GUARANTEE**, that applies to every lily bulb sent out.

**1st—Safe Arrival**—Every bulb is carefully checked and packed by experts. If the package arrives damaged or the bulbs are not in first class condition upon arrival, please write at once so that we can make it right with you.

**2nd—Trueness of Stock**—Very seldom do we receive any report of untrue stock as the greatest care is used that every variety is properly labeled. If, through some error, some variety does not turn out as labeled, please write us soon after it blooms so that a replacement can be sent.

**3rd**—We have such sure confidence in the high quality of our lily bulbs that we guarantee each and every bulb to grow in your garden to the extent that we will replace, at half price, any that fail to survive. Please report any failures by September 1st next following their planting. We know that you will make every attempt to plant and care for them to the best of your ability.

## HERE'S A WHOLE LILY GARDEN

## Fanciers' Lily Special

**39 Bulbs** Catalog value **\$24.95**  
**15 varieties** over \$30.00 **\$24.95** Postpaid

Again we offer this special to fill the demand of so many who write asking that I select a group of lilies, easy to grow, flowering early to late, with a wide range of colors and which will succeed most anywhere without special skill. Here's a whole garden of them. Fifteen varieties, one to three of a kind, 39 bulbs in all. And among them are some of the finest of the newer hybrids.

Included are *Auratum Platyphyllum*, *Aurelian Heart's Desire*, *Jade Temple*, *Speciosum Ruby*, *Cernum*, *Amabile luteum* and nine others. No Regales unless requested. Each variety is labeled and packed separately—all are full flowering size, fresh dug and delivered to you late in October. We urge that you have us send them Special Handling, see page 26. Special No. 16-J.

Catalog value over \$30.00 **\$24.95**  
You Save Over \$5.00 **\$24.95** Postpaid



## Matilija Poppy

"ja" pronounced "ha"

**MATILIA Poppy**—1475—It is doubtful if we will be able to supply any of these for 1955. We hope they will be available for 1956.

### A FINE NEW TROWEL



*Here's a grand new trowel you will enjoy. It's made of heavy stainless steel — will never rust—so strong and sturdy, it will last your lifetime, with a comfortable hardwood handle that will not come loose. The narrow blade is 7 inches long (trowel 12 inches over all). Ideal for bulb planting and all transplanting. Mailed postpaid anywhere—\$2.00.*

## Erythronium

Early spring blooming bulbs belonging to the lily family, commonly called Trout-lilies, or Fawn-lilies. Graceful, nodding blooms with often richly mottled leaves. Plant in groups in partial shade and leaf-mold soil, not less than 3 inches deep. They establish nice colonies. Foliage dies off after flowering.

### EUROPEAN SPECIES

**Erythronium Dens-canis.** These are quite distinct from our native species. The foliage is deep green, with beautiful mottling of dark bronze. The flowers are large but on short stems nestling among the foliage. April-May.

**Frans Hals.** Light reddish violet.  
Very showy.

**Pink Perfection.** Bright clear pink. Early.

**Rose Queen.** Deep pink.

**Snowflake.** White.

3 bulbs of one kind 75c, 6 for \$1.40, Doz. one kind \$2.75. **No orders for less than 3 of a kind.** 3 each of above 4 kinds, each labeled separately, \$2.75.

### AMERICAN SPECIES

**Californicum**—1180—White, chrome yellow center.

**Hendersonii**—1182—Light purple, center deep maroon; very striking.

**Purdyi**—1181—Large pale lemon-yellow blooms on 8 to 10 inch stems. Foliage olive green, lightly mottled. April.

**Revolutum-var. Johnsonii**—1183—Leaves mottled with dark brown, flowers dark rose.

**Toulumensis**—1192—Golden yellow, quite distinct, forms large clumps by off-setting.

3 Bulbs of ONE KIND for \$1.00, Doz. of ONE KIND \$3.75. **No orders for less than 3 of ONE KIND.**

## Microcrop for Real Protection From Blight

If you've not tried this new spray (we introduced it in '46) for the control of this bothersome lily disease you should obtain a supply at once. Botrytis or Blight destroys the lower leaves of lilies and sometimes entire stems during humid weather. Micronized Copper (Microcrop) with 101 Spreader was developed here in the Northwest where millions of lilies are grown and has proven almost 100% control. Unlike the commonly used bordeaux, it will not burn the tenderest seedling. It adheres even through heavy rains, keeps well in mixture and is very easy to clean out of your sprayer.

Botrytis, despite reports to the contrary, is not necessarily fatal to lilies. It may destroy the foliage but it does not attack the bulb, nor is it carried by the bulb and it does not winter over in the soil. Repeated tests have proven that plantings affected one season may be entirely healthy the next but loss of the foliage may weaken the bulb and threaten its survival. So be prepared to promptly combat botrytis when it first puts in its appearance. This spray is preventative rather than curative.

## Fritillaria

A woodland bulb with nodding flowers often resembling small lilies. Lovely for naturalizing or the rock garden.

**Meleagris Aphrodite**—1211—A fine strong growing white variety.

**Meleagris Artemis**—1212—Grayish-purple chequered. Very fine and unusual.

**Meleagris Poseidon**—1214—Whitish, chequered purple. Very large blooms on six inch stems.

**Meleagris Saturnus**—1215—Flowers pinkish, chequered. Very rare.

**Meleagris Pomona**—1216—Flowers white, checkered pink.

**Thunbergii**—1204—A graceful, distinct species, creamy white, veined green with as many as ten blooms to a plant. Partial shade. Ht. 1½ to 2ft.

6 of ONE KIND for \$1.00, Dozen of ONE KIND \$1.90. **No order for less than 3 of ONE KIND.**

**Recurva**—1205—The most striking of all Fritillarias—bright red outside, brilliant yellow inside, spotted red.

3 for \$1.25, Doz. \$4.35

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This new improved Micronized Copper and Spreader is all you need to combat botrytis but be sure you have it on hand BEFORE it is needed. A delay of but a few hours can make a great difference in results when it is needed.

This Micronized Copper and Spreader can also be used wherever you would use the old fashioned bordeaux and with much better results. It does not leave unsightly stains on foliage like the latter. Once you try this new spray you'll never go back to the old fashioned messy bordeaux. It is so much safer and more sure in results.

If desirable you may add nicotine sulphate (Blackleaf 40) to control aphids at the same time at the rate on an ounce to 25 gallons. Aphids are the spreaders of lily mosaic and should definitely be controlled wherever lilies are grown. Both Copper and Spreader keep perfectly, so if you do not use it all this season you will be ready for next year.

### TRIAL SIZE

One pound of Micronized Copper and four ounces of the Spreader (enough to make 25 gallons), shipped postpaid for...\$3.95

### ECONOMY SIZE

Four pounds of Micronized Copper and one pint of the Spreader (enough for 100 gallons).  
Postpaid \$6.95

## We Pay the Postage

On orders of \$5.00 or more within the U.S. we pay the postage unless otherwise stated. On orders sent out of this country please add 10% to cover postage and extra handling. On all orders less than \$5.00, kindly add 50c for postage and handling.

## Shipping Dates

All lily bulbs are dug as soon as they mature starting in August and continuing into November. Prepare your ground before the bulbs arrive and plant them as soon as possible.

## Please Order Early!

Every year we are short thousands of bulbs and hundreds of customers are disappointed. Lilies are not like other plant material. It takes years to produce lily bulbs. Backhouse Hybrids, for example, take seven years to produce flowering size bulbs. And each year we sell out of practically everything that can be spared.

## Send Your Order Now!

As soon as you have made your selection. Don't wait till later. Many varieties will be short and early orders get first consideration. Most orders are shipped in two or more lots as soon as they mature. This causes extra work and expense but we believe you are better served and your success is our success.

## But Please---

Help Us and Yourself  
**ORDER EARLY**



# The World's Finest Lilies

## Jillian Wallace

*New, Rare and*

*Superlatively Beautiful*

**JILLIAN WALLACE-405**—Unquestionably the most spectacularly beautiful of all new lilies, this gorgeous creation is almost beyond imagination. As we have observed it intimately the last three years and studied its behavior under varied conditions, we are more than ever convinced of its true superiority. Hybrid lilies are, without doubt, the real answer to the huge pent up demand for better lilies. And in this bold and lovely new hybrid will be found the ultimate in lily satisfaction. This lily seems to have everything one could want in the perfect lily. It is strong, vigorous and healthy. It's a rapid grower, the bulbs stand shipping perfectly, it propagates rapidly and all in all, seems to have no faults whatsoever.

Jillian Wallace has developed from a chance seedling presumably between the rare speciosum "Gilray" and the rarer still auratum "Crimson Queen", in the Australian garden of Mr. Roy M. Wallace, who named it after his daughter. The fully open blooms are eight inches across. The five to six foot stems, when established, bear up to seven, beautifully held, almost flat opening flowers.

Our picture but poorly portrays the absolute perfection of this gorgeous lily. The actual color is a deep, glowing crimson with darker dots and sparkling white margins. Until you have seen this beauty, you cannot appreciate its charm. And once you've seen it, you will never be satisfied until it grows in your garden. Mid-August flowering. PD 5 inches. Sun or part shade, the latter preferred.

3 for \$16.95, each \$6.00, Doz. \$84.00

JILLIAN WALLACE

*"God spoke! and from the arid scene  
Sprang rich and verdant bowers,  
Till all the earth was soft and green . . .  
He smiled; and there were flowers."  
—Fenollosa.*

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